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French lorry drivers defy riot police to restore blockade

test, ordered the CRS riot police and the tank, which was deployed in the early morning at Phalempin, the site of the first

barrier last week on the A1 highway from

the Belgian border to Paris. After the AMX-30 tank towed a truck clear of the

highway several dozen vehicles were moved

by their drivers and set up blocks elsewhere. CRS units prevented the entry into

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN PARIS

FRENCH lorry drivers set up a dozen more road blocks last night after an army tank and riot police broke up barricades on several motorways. Trunk roads and mo-torways were still blocked in at least 200 places as the hauliers' protest, now in its second week, bit into the economy and dragged the government of Pierre Béregovoy deeper into trouble.

The British Road Haulage Association reported two attacks on British drivers. One, heading north to the Channel, had his brake pipes cut and another had bricks thrown through his window by French drivers. The association said that attacks on British drivers were still isolated but could increase.

In Italy, strikes disrupted rail and air traffic yesterday and lorry drivers again threatened to copy their French colleagues. a belle France - where today there is only one step from the ridiculous to the sublime Ray Clancy and Lin

Jenkins meet the men behind the barricades near the Channel ports while Harvey Elliott goes the pretty way. Plus the roads to avoid and telephone advice lines Pages 2 and 3

In Rome, air traffic controllers staged a 7-hour stoppage, delaying most flights in and out of the capital. Alitalia flights were held up for 20 to 30 minutes and British Airways flights by up to an hour. Italian railways were also hit by a strike that halted

services for six hours.

Come on in, the water's lovely: public pressure has led to the French tackling pollution at key seasitie resorts, although one in ten beaches still does not come up to EC standards

As riot police wade into battle with the workers, an obstinate president remains aloof. Charles Bremner hears the echoes of '68 and asks: can Mitterrand win where de Gaulle lost?

Enjoy a feast of good food and fine wine with Robin Young's guide to fifty favourite restaurants, plus your chance to win a share in a Bordeaux vineyard with Passport to France Life and Times, page 4

France of trucks at the Rekkem border post with Beigium and forced open two other road-blocks, one between Arles and Fossur-Mer, in southern France, and the other in the east, on the Lyons-Geneva highway. The port towns of Normandy and the Channel were besieged more heavily than ever by protesting drivers, although local officials said that British tourists continued

to pour across the Channel and head for their holiday destinations via minor roads. The lorry drivers' union, which represents only a fraction of the protesters, called for a national transport stoppage today in retaliation. It did not appear to have been heeded by train and bus unions. Farmers and vegetable growers, whose produce is perishing for lack of transport. called for "a total economic blockade", saying they were losing 25 million francs (£2.5 million) a day from the government's refusal to negotiate with the hauliers.

In Britain, workers at the Peugot Talbot were called back to work after being laid off because of the dispute. A convoy of lorries that had taken a week to bring vital components through the blockade arrived at the company's Coventry plants.

The Road Haulage Association said that many owner-operators would need help Continued on page 20, col 4



TODAY IN

hospital today needs to be a chief executive, PR expert and accountant rolled into one: Howard Davis has firm ideas on how to produce such an animal Public Management Life & Times, page 7

FLIER!



The squawking, the feeding, the worries about that first trip out alone: parenting is so demanding - especially when baby is a blackbird Life & Times, page 5

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Batman is back and so are the badges, buttons and baubles. Geoff Brown bemoans the transformation of Hollywood from dream factory to merchandise machine

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M Beregovoy, who has promised tough measures to end the French hauliers' pro-**Dentists** vote to bar new NHS patients

By Alison Roberts and Philip Webster

BRITAIN'S dentists voted yesterday not to accept any new national health patients, putting the profession on course for a confrontation with the government and raising fears for the future of NHS dental treatment.

Virginia Bottomley, the health secretary, signalled the government's determination to press ahead with a 7 per cent cut in government fees for NHS treatment and pledged to keep the service going, if necessary by hiring more "salaried" dentists working only for the NHS. She had earlier told dentist to think long and hard before taking any action that might jeopardise an improvement in care.

She confirmed her promise of a "fundamental review" of fees, to be led by Brian Mawhinney, the health minister. Its terms of reference are to be announced shortly and it will report quickly, according to government sources. We must find a system which is fair to dentists, fair to patients and fair to the NHS." Mrs Bottomley

The British Dental Association will advise its 16,000 members not to accept new patients of any age after the results of a ballot on action against the fee-cutting proposal. Almost 60 per cent voted in layour of the move and 80 per cent voted to refuse to treat new charge-paying adults. About 26 mil-lion people are not registered with a dentist and may now find it hard to be accepted

under the NHS. A proposal to remove regis-tered adults from lists was narrowly defeated, but the association warned that the drift into private practice would become a flood if the fee cuts, to take effect from tomorrow, go ahead. More radical action was proposed by the General Dental Health Practitioners Association. whose 4,000 members voted to refuse NHS treatment to all existing and new patients not entitled to free care.

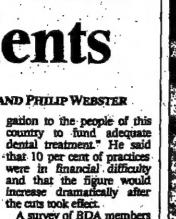
Joe Rich, chairman of the General Dental Services Committee, wrote to the prime minister yesterday in a final effort to avert the fee cut. He said: "It seems incredible that any prime minister who claimed to support the NHS should be party to this. The government has a moral obli-

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the cuts took effect. A survey of BDA members before the ballot showed that, if the fee cut was implemented, many dentists would withdraw from NHS contracts. Almost all dentists see children under the NHS, but only 78 per cent said that they could afford to cominue doing so after Wednesday. Almost 50 per cent said that they would do all they could reduce their dependence

The BDA and the GDPA will now send the results of the ballots back to members, who will be asked to consider the implications of industrial action. Derek Watson, chairman of the GDPA, said: "We are looking at a smaller NHS, with pregnant women and children still being treated. But the remaining three quarters of patients will be asked to pay the whole amount for their treatment. as opposed to the 75 per cent-that they pay now." Many dentists were already striking adult NHS patients off their

on the NHS.

lists, he said. Robin Cook, shadow health secretary, accused the govern-ment of creating a crisis that risked the future of the NHS dental service. If it was not saved, no part of the NHS would be safe, he said.

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Rich: pleaded with Major to avert fee cut

Gower hits Summit raises nopes of Gatt deal his way to

BY ROBIN OAKLEY AND IAN MURRAY IN MUNICH

AMERICA'S chief negotiator in the world trade talks was summoned to Munich last night as President Bush and Jacques Delors raised hopes of a breakthrough in the deadlocked Gatt negotiations.

nearly two years, David Gower yesterday became the high-est scoring batsman in Mr Bush and the European Commission president will English Test history. Need-ing 34 to overtake Geoffrey meet this morning in an effort to close what is described Boycott's record of 8,114, his as the narrowing gap be-tween them. Hugo Paeman, the EC negotiator, is already 73 played an important part as England fought back to avoid the follow-on in the in Munich for the Group of third Test against Pakistan at Seven nations' summit, and Old Trafford. his American counterpart, Rufus Yerxa, was on his way

the record

By PETER BALL

RETURNING to the Eng-

land team after an absence of

tion, it was almost as if he had

never been away. It was a typical Gower innings, with

an element of good fortune sprinkled among some vin-

tage strokes.

Boycott, who was watching,

declared: "I am very pleased for him." Butsome of the

gloss was taken off Gower's

achievement in the closing minutes of the England in-

nings when Aqib was warned

for intimidatory bowling after Malcolm was hit by a short

The Pakistan captain,

Javed Miandad, complained

that Malcolm had ducked

into the ball and there were further protests at the end of

the over when the umpire

Roy Palmer gave Aqib his

weater back with a brisk

John Woodcock, page 34

"I'm delighted to have achieved that target," Gower said afterwards. "It has been fast night. The summit is not normally a long wait." a negotiating meeting and Helmut Kohl of Germany. It had been a long wait, but from the first ball as Gower the host, had excluded Gatt came in to a thunderous ovafrom the official programme. but a German spokesman admitted yesterday that the talks had forced themselves on to the agenda.

Record partnership: David Gower, right, with Geoffrey Boycott, whose scoring record he beat at Old Trafford yesterday

American and French officials said yesterday that a Sunday night meeting be-tween Presidents Bush and Mitterrand had narrowed their differences on farm policy and a US official said: "We believe we are very close to an agreement." Germans too said that the EC and US were "not that far apart now". British spokesmen, at John

Major's request, would not disclose the contents of what was said to have been a "forceful" intervention by the prime minister on the Gatt issue during the summit talks. But Mr Major too, making Gatt his "No I priority" at the summit, has requested a meeting with M Mitterrand. They will meet

At the traditional session between the Americans and the EC at the start of a new nation's presidency, held in Munich yesterday, Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary. said that Britain would make Gan resolution a priority of the British presidency. James Baker, the American Secre-tary of State, said that he was committed to a solution and was willing to carry on substantive negotiations in Munich. He added: "This gives the heave to things which we

The US believes that farm policy reforms in Europe

party's elderly malcontents met in Gorky Park yesterday

Are you being

have offered new hope, but agricultural export subsidies

remain the sticking point.

The Americans are pressing

for a 24 per cent cut over six

years. Franz Andriessen, the

EC trade commissioner, has

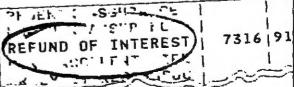
offered a 20 per cent cut over

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Comrades split by court fight

IN WHAT is being billed the Russian Nuremberg, the banned Communist Party of the Soviet Union, which held sway over an empire for 70 years in the name of Marxism-Leninism, is today, perhaps unwisely, asking the Russian constitutional court to overturn its present illegal status. As a direct result it faces charges of misrule during its decades of absolute power. Both cases are being considered together.

The Nuremberg parallel is inexact: for the time being, at least, it is not individual party officials who are on trial but the party as such. It is accused of misusing public funds on a giant scale and of Match report, page 36 acting as a state within a state The Soviet Communist party is today meeting its Nuremberg, Robert Seely reports from Moscow

until it was suspended after last August's abortive coup against Mikhail Gorbachev, then president of the Soviet

But the underlying mess-age is clear, once mighty men, including Mr Gorbachev, are being forced to face the consequences of their years of misrule. The party will be embodied in court by Vladimir lyashko and Valentin Kuptsov, both Gorb-

to denounce today's court case, which is expected to uphold the party's banning by Russia. The rally was meant to be an embarrassment to President Yeltsin's regime. In the event it revealed the weakness of the

BY MICHAEL HORSNELL

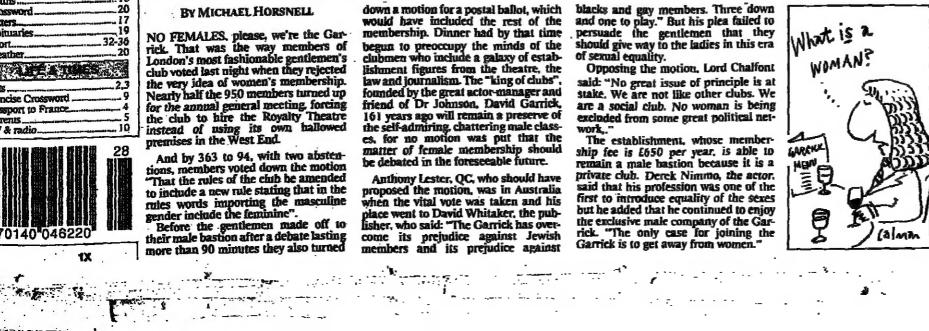
NO FEMALES, please, we're the Garrick. That was the way members of London's most fashionable gentlemen's club voted last night when they rejected the very idea of women's membership. Nearly half the 950 members turned up for the annual general meeting forcing the club to hire the Royalty Theatre instead of using its own hallowed premises in the West End.

And by 363 to 94, with two abstentions, members voted down the motion That the rules of the chib be amended to include a new rule stating that in the rules words importing the masculine gender include the feminine".

Before the gentlemen made off to their male bastion after a debate lasting more than 90 minutes they also turned

proposed the motion, was in Australia when the vital vote was taken and his place went to David Whitaker, the publisher, who said: The Garrick has over-come its prejudice against Jewish members and its prejudice against

blacks and gay members. Three down and one to play." But his plea failed to persuade the gentlemen that they should give way to the ladies in this era of sexual equality.



membership. Dinner had by that time begun to preoccupy the minds of the clubmen who include a galaxy of estab-lishment figures from the theatre, the Opposing the motion, Lord Chalfont law and journalism. The "king of clubs", said: "No great issue of principle is at founded by the great actor-manager and stake. We are not like other clubs. We friend of Dr Johnson, David Garrick, are a social club. No woman is being 161 years ago will remain a preserve of the self-admiring, chattering male class-es, for no motion was put that the matter of female membership should excluded from some great political net-The establishment, whose membership fee is £650 per year, is able to be debated in the foreseeable future. remain a male bastion because it is a private club. Derek Nimmo, the actor. Anthony Lester, QC, who should have said that his profession was one of the

first to introduce equality of the sexes but he added that he continued to enjoy the exclusive male company of the Garrick. "The only case for joining the Garrick is to get away from women."

divided Communist forces. some of whom have broken into splinter groups. The few thousand who turned out on a blustery Moscow day barely disturbed the passing traffic. Today's court hearing was denounced by the protesters The fact is, every day thousands of companies and as anti-democratic, a rich Continued on page 20, col 5 Leading article, page 17 BankCalc is an easy-to-use computer program for PC's.

Garrick rejects the ladies by a robust four to one down a motion for a postal ballot, which would have included the rest of the

Truckers warn of rising violence as vehicles are attacked with bricks

British lorry drivers call for food aid

BY DAVID YOUNG

ROAD hauliers last night called on French authorities relief and compensation for stranded British drivers, who yesterday also reported attacks on them.

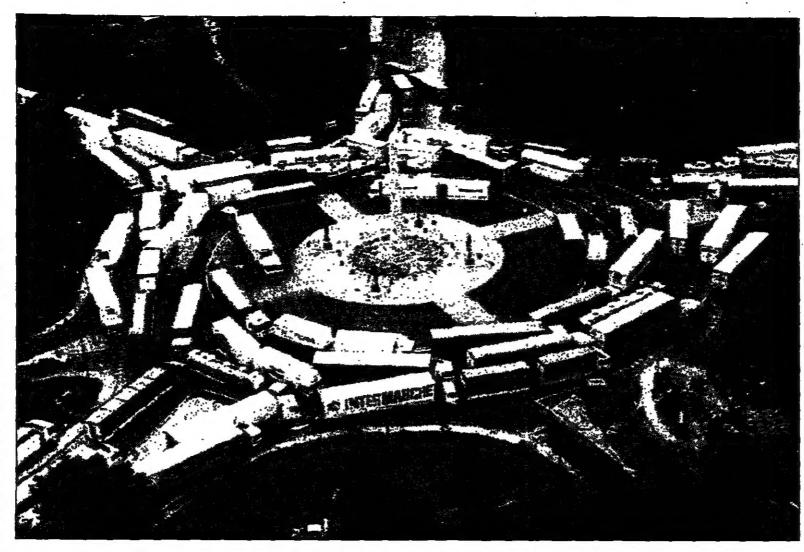
In a letter to the French Embassy, the Road Haulage Association accused Paris of taking little action to clear the roads and uphold the right to freedom of movement across borders enshrined in the Treaty of Rome. The association has also asked John MacGregor, the transport secretary, to press the French to organise "humanitarian relief" for stranded drivers who had run out of food and

One British trucker heading north to the Channel said that his brake pipes had been cut. Another said that angry French drivers had thrown bricks through windscreen.

Sydney Balgarnie, Road Haulage Association spokesman, said that attacks on British drivers were still isolated but could escalate. The association said that the dispute had already caused severe cash-flow problems to many smaller operators.

An association spokesman said: "Most bank managers are not going to turn round and say they are calling in overdrafts immediately, but it is very worrying for the people involved. If you are a smaller operator with cash-flow problems anyway, this is going to cause more difficulties because you stop earning. We are powerless."

Bryan Else, transport manager of J.G. Osborne, of Rotherham, has ten lorries worth £700,000 trapped on the Continent and 16 standing



Roads to nowhere: truck drivers block all accesses to the Carrefour de L'Obelisque outside Fontainebleau, south of Paris

idle as a result of the French Good humour evaporates after action, and has laid off ten drivers. Mr Else said yester-day that the blockades were costing more than £10,000 a day for the firm, which hauls French loads slip through to UK steel and fruit. A female British lorry driv-

er was attacked in her cab by FOR the fourth consecutive a local holidaymaker who day Peter Scullion whiled mistook her for a blockading away the hours in a lorry park at Calais's ferry port, his wag-In Coventry, a troop of loron load of equipment for the off-shore oil industry no nearer to its destination than ries carrying components which have taken almost a week to battle through the had been on Thursday. blockades arrived at

French lorry drivers had blocked first the routes to Peugeot's car plant yesterday to save nearly 3,000 workers Paris, and now those to from being laid off. Drivers defiant, page 1 Can Mitterrand win, page 16 Diary, page 16 Some British drivers had abandoned their trailers in the car park and gone to find route through. Each re-

French driver.

passable to British trucks. Tourist traffic, however, was getting through. At some road blocks around the town tourists were unhindered, while at others helpful officiprovided d native routes.

turned with the news that all roads out of Calais were im-

Mr Scullion, who makes regular trips to France from Aberdeen, said: "There are roads which are open, but in many cases we still can't reach our stopping-off point. I can't get to the airport in Paris before going on to Italy, so I'm stuck."

Les Morrison, an owner-driver contracted to P&O Ferrymaster, said that finding a clear route out of Calais was only the start. "You never know where you might find them, or the farmers for that matter. The company says we are not to antagonise the situation and put the lorries at risk. The French have no qualms about putting a torch to the forry or smashing it up and you in the process.

He said that P&O Ferrymaster had just taken the decision to recall its drivers to Dover. His load of vacuum cleaners would re-main at Calais while he and 13 other drivers returned with their cabs.

The 70 or so drivers stranded in the port were for the most part good humoured, but there was a growing feel-ing of anger at a few French companies that were beating the blockade and carrying cargo to and from England.

Lin Jenkins and Ray Clancy find there is no way out for British truckers brought to a standstill by French road blockades

Steve McKenchie arrived on an early-morning crossing with his load of rolls of paper. Normally there would be dozens of lorries on the boat; yesterday there were only eight. Another driver said that there were only five lorries on his ferry. "At Dover on a Sunday night you have to queue for an hour just to get a ticket. I've never seen it like that," he said.

Ron Broadman, taking empty cider bottles from Manchester to France, discussed the prospects of getting in through another country, but the drivers had heard that crossings were blockaded.

One firm collecting goods from Calais to take across Europe chose to have its drivers return by ferry to Dover, from where they could sail around the trouble to Holland.

The normal flow of about 1,000 lorries into Calais on a Monday was much depleted. So too was the tourist traffic.

through Ostend, Dieppe, Cherbourg and St Malo.

Those who used Calais found the roads less congested than usual and cleared the blockade unhindered. Phil Pritchard, who was heading for EuroDisney with his wife Judith and daughter Rachel. was resigned to the prospect of slight delays and scenic country routes.

One Briton unwittingly caught up among French blockaders is Dave Thacker, from Weymouth, Dorset (Ray Clancy writes).

Yesterday he sat among 120 lorry drivers huddled in on the outskirts of Argentan blocking the N158 in Normandy. They roasted sausages on a bonfire and cheered every time the news came on the radio, determined to carry on with their week-long protest as long as

Mr Thacker, 46, meanwhile, chewed a piece of steak and wondered how long his own cargo of beef would last.

the refrigeration system going for another three days. After that I just don't know,"

Occasionally he looked around in despair. Unable to speak French, he has been communicating in sign lan-guage since becoming trapped on Sunday in one of the biggest blockades of the French road system. Sur-rounded on all sides by French lorries, he has no chance of moving. There is really nothing that I can do. I must admit that the French drivers have been great. They have taken me out to dinner and I'm sure that if I did run out of diesel they would sort something out," he added.

He became a victim when he tried to avoid the ades by crossing from Poole to Cherbourg on Saturday. hoping to have an easy drive through the Norman countryside to deliver his load in Paris. "I wish I had gone to Dover now. Other lads did that and they got through,"

He has been to see the local police. They offered him a shower and breakfast but no way out of his predicament. He has found the boredom hard to bear but still has sympathy for the French drivers. He believes that the new points system is harsh.

The long drivers who have blocked every exit and entrance to the town are enjoying the party atmosphere. They have bought whistles and are happily directing the traffic around the blockades and giving directions to lost tourists. But they are deter-mined not to let any lorries through. "Last night a French lorry tried to move and things got a bit militant."

Mr Thacker said.

The French drivers are quite simply determined to stay and by all appearances are enjoying the limelight. Asked how long the blockades will last they shrug their shoulders, but the answer seems to be as long as it takes.

many drivers going instead

Italian strikes halt planes and trains

FROM JOHN PHILLIPS IN ROME

STRIKES disrupted air and rail traffic in Italy yesterday and its lorry drivers again threatened to copy protests by French counterparts.
Rome air traffic controller staged a seven-hour stoppage that caused delays on most flights in and out of the

capital. An Alitalia official said flights were delayed for an average of 30 minutes.

A British Airways official in Rome said its flights in and out of the Italian capital were delayed up to one hour. Neither airline had to cancel any flights. The disruption was contained by a government work order that en-sured 60 per cent of air traffic controllers were at their posts. "When the min-

istry intervenes services are

assured." the Alitalia official

said. People might be turned off flying when they hear about the strikes but

operations get along more or less as normal." Air traffic

controllers at Genoa also

strike to protest at expected lay-offs before possible pri-vatisation. Union officials The Italian long drivers union said its members would follow the French example if the government did not reconsider a ban on lor-ries using main roads at

long summer holidays. "If negotiations are not re-opened immediately, Italian forry drivers also will begin shutting down services." the statement said. It expressed solidarity with the French truckers whose action was more than justified".

Another air controller strike lasting six hours will be staged at Naples airport today. Another nationwide seven-hour strike by controllers is due tomorrow and

another by Rome controllers ing. Five hundred Spanish tomorrow evening. On Thursday a strike is promtrucks packed with rotting produce are trapped in On the Costa Brava, officials estimate that tourism is between 20 and 50 per cent

down with 4,000 tourists with reservations trapped in France or unable to leave their departure points. Car factories in Spain have had to slow production and parts are being flown in by transporter aircraft.

transport minister, has expressed a fear that the strike could affect the Olympic games which open in Barce-lona in three weeks.

The three men slightly injured during a Civil War reenactment in Hull were participants and not speciators, as incorrectly reported on June 25

NEWS IN BRIEF

BAT chief to lead police pay review Sir Paurick Sheehy, who earns £638,000 a year as chairman

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Sir Patrick Sheehy, who earns £638,000 a year as chairman of BAT Industries, is to lead a radical Home Office enquiry on the future pattern of police pay and management.

Announcing the composition of the enquiry yesterday. Kenneth Clarke, the home secretary, said police pay and rewards for skills and ability could be entering a new era. The blanket annual pay award set up 13 years ago after a report by Lord Edmund-Davies was likely to change and this could put Mr Clarke at odds with the powerful traditionalist lobby within the police. lobby within the police.

Mr Clarke confirmed that there were internal reviews under way on how the police were funded from central and local government and also their structure. Mr Clarke said the present pay system was inflexible and based on a single pay award each year. It was time to modernise the pay

Sir Patrick, 62, will be joined by John Bullock, joint senior partner of Cooper Lybrand, the accountancy firm; Professor Colin Campbell, vice-chancellor of the University of Notingham; Eric Caines, director of personnel in the NHS and author of the Fresh Start programme for the prison service, and Sir Paul Fox, former managing director of BBC

Schools get bully guide

Guidelines pioneered in Scotland to prevent classroom and playground bullying are to be sent to every school in England. The information pack, prepared by the Scottish Council for Research in Education, offers governors and teachers guidance on strategies to prevent bullying outlining different situations they might expect to confront. The education department has ordered 28,000 copies to be distributed to state and independent schools. The pack advises teachers to take all reports of bullying seriously but not to respond emotively, to encourage the bully to see the victim's point of view, and to punish offenders sensitively. Bullying groups, it says, should be broken up by confronting members individually and forcing each to face his or her

Post Office under fire

The Post Office was yesterday criticised by the industry watchdog body for raising stamp prices while making large profits. The Post Office Users' National Council also condemned the rundown of rural offices, saying local people should be given more time to fight the closures. It said increases in stamp prices last September, up 2p and 1p to 24p and 18p, should have been deferred for months because of Royal Mail's. E260m profits. Tom Corrigan, the chairman, noting that stamp prices had now been frozen until the end of the year, said it was "better late than never". He said it was "unreasonable" that mail users had to pay more to finance the "under achievement" of Parcelforce, the PO's parcels arm.

Ulster talks open

British and Irish ministers and the leaders of two of Northern Ireland's political parties set out their opening statements on the future of the province yesterday at the start of their talks in London. The first meeting between the leaders of all the constitutional parties and the two governments since partition made faster progress than expected, with both the Social and Democratic Labour party and the non-sectarian Alliance party making their presenta-tions at Lancaster House. Today Ian Paisley's Democratic Unionist party and the Official Ulster Unionists, led by James Molyneaux, will put their views. John Major and Albert Reynolds, the Irish prime minister, issued a joint statement saying that the talks offered an historic opportunity for lasting political progress.

Tydfil bridge repair

A great iron bridge that symbolised the importance of revolution is to be rebuilt as a heritage and tourist feature. The bridge, designed by Walkin George, the engineer in charge of the iron works in the town, was demolished almost 30 years ago although the cast iron sections were saved in the hope that one day it could be restored. Historians regard the bridge as second only in importance to the structure built across the Severn at Ironbridge, Shropshire. Built in 1799, the 70-tonne bridge stood for 160 years providing a link between the furnaces of the iron master and the main route to the docks at Cardiff. Civil leaders hope that the bridge will lure tourists to the town.

Ardiles took illegal pay

Osvaldo Ardiles, right, for-mer manager of Swindon football club, admitted at Winchester Crown Court that he accepted an illegal cash payment from the club for winning a match in 1989. He shared £5,000 among players and staff, he told the trial of Lou Macari, his predecessor, Brian Hillier, former club chairman, and Vivien Farrar, its former accountant, who all deny fraud. The trial



Sellafield criticised

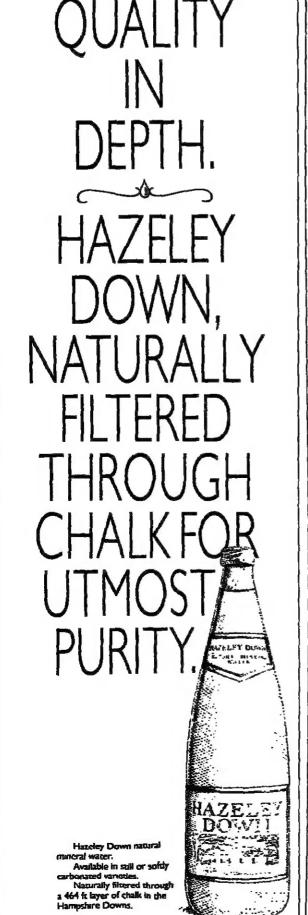
An official report has criticised the handling of nuclear waste at British Nuclear Fuels' Sellafield plant. One silo is almost filled with old fuel cans from Britain's Magnox reactors. stored under water, which have now corroded, according to the report by a committee appointed by the Health and Safety Commission. The danger is that hydrogen released by the corrosion may ignite, causing an accident that would release radioactivity. BNFL has yet to work out a way of removing the Magnox slurry from this silo. The report criticises BNFL's programme for disposing of material contaminated with plutonium. BNFL said that in the two years since the committee last visited Sellafield there had been some refurbishment and existing stocks of plutonoumcontaminated material would be put into drums from 1995

Defence chiefs named

A naval aviator and his Fleet Air Arm instructor were appointed the new chiefs of the Royal Navy and the RAF. Admiral Sir Benjamin Bathurst is the first naval aviator to become chief of naval staff and first sea lord for more than 30 years. He begins his appointment in February in succession to Admiral Sir Julian Oswald. His former instructor, the next chief of the air staff, is Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Graydon. In November he will succeed Air Chief Marshal Sir Peter Harding who is to become the next chief of the defence staff. The two newly promoted men first met as young aviators in the early 1960s when Sir Michael was carrying out a tour as a flying instructor with the Fleet Air Arm before embarking on a career as a fighter pilot.

Suspect rifle found

Police have recovered a high-powered rifle while investigating the suspected 1RA murder of Glenn Goodman, 37, 2 special constable who was shot after he and PC Sandy Kelly, 32, stopped a car on the A64 near Tadcaster, North Yorkshire. The weapon was found during a search of the area near Burton Salmon where the guamen's burnt-out car was found. The search will continue in Pontefract. West Yorkshire, where two Irishmen have been arrested



said most railway workers adhered to the strike call. ☐ The Spanish agricultural,

were on strike yesterday.

The railway system came to a halt for six hours during a

weekends during July when millions of Italians drive for

ised at Turin's airport with more disruptions expected at Milan and Rome on Friday. tourist and transport sectors said that they will demand compensation from the French government for losses incurred as a result of the strike and blockade by French truck drivers (Edward Owen writes from Madrid). Spanish truck owners said that in the past insurance

companies had dealt with claims because Spanish lorries had been burned by the French but the new situation was different. Spanish losses were estimated at £20 mil lion so far, with almost half

Normally 250 juggernants a day take fresh fruit and vegetables from Spain to Europe but now growers are unable to harvest crops and their quality is not invested. their quality is not improvJosé Borrell, Spanish

CORRECTION

How holiday drivers can avoid the road blocks with some careful planning and a little sang froid

Beauty and peace far from the madding motorways

Turboliner

The lorry drivers' dispute affords an opportunity to get off the beaten track, suggests Harvey Ellion

GAUL is divided into three parts, again. The first is the network of yellow and red motorways which have become a battleground where splenetic French truck drivers vent their rage on authority, tanks and juggernauts clash like armoured regiments and hapless motorists are trapped in the maybem.

The second consists of the main roads running like thick red arteries across the map of France and on to some of which the battles have spilled, while others are heavy with trucks, caravans and trailers carrying wine or petrol des-perately trying to find ways around the blockades on the

Then there is the third part: a fine tracery of white, yellow and even thin red coloured roads which connect sleepy villages, vineyards, farms and fields of EC subsidised wheat or sunflowers which make up the aesthetic France of the imagination rather than the anarchic country of today's

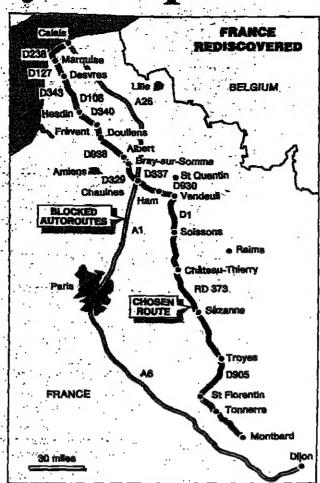
For the past two days I have driven for more than 300 miles from Calais to Burgundy — and, apart from a few brief miles through the second part of today's Gaul, have seen only the third.

France is such a vast and, compared with Britain, empty country that even the best attempts of its lorry drivers to cause maybem has no impact on the majority of its citizens and even less on the millions of tourists now criss-crossing

the country.
The A259 along the south coast from Eastbourne to Dover was far more crowded and slow-moving than any of the French roads I encountered.

The first part of the journey from Calais was a question of simple map reading on 150 miles of D-classed roads looping in a gentle arch to the northeast of Paris, through the cemeteries and first world war battlefields of Picardie to spend the night in a tiny hotel. apparently stuck helplessly between the main A26 motorway and the N44.

that indeed there had been



hit trouble at Bray when conroar felt silent for several hours as another group of truck drivers made a blockfronted with a large sign, route barre. It transpired ade. But I had no difficulty in Bray was en fête. Down the D329 and D357 to Chaulnes driving straight to the hotel under the motorway and on and if there were problems of to Ham then a final jiggle through the tiny villages south of St Quentin to the Hotel at Vendeuil which lies apparent major international importance just a few yards away, I was blissfully unaware of them. close to the main N44 and the Perhaps because I was actually seeking to avoid the new A26. Both, said the proiams rather than trying to

find them. I was as enchanted Vendeuil was once a thrivas ever with the peace and tranquillity ing if noisy village due south of St Quentin on the southem-most edge of Picardie. My first day's enforced, but elcome, diversion took a lit-Then two motorways, the A26 and the N44, were laid the less than four hours of leisurely driving with stops at in Roman straight lines withthe moving and awe-inspirin a few hundred metres and ing cemeteries and war methe town and its now almost morials as well as for coffee deserted market square dominated by the huge Gothic-style cathedral went back to

along the way.

The D238 to Marquise.

Continuing on the D127 to

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lage. On to Hesdin and then According to news reports my enterprise, a two-week family holiday on a canal Freyent. Down the D916-to boat in Burgundy, was Doullers. The rown of Albert doomed before it began proved slightly difficult to ne-Bray Sur Somme - for a transport in France. But so moment we thought we had encouraged had I become by continue to do so.

the time I stayed overnight in Vendeuil that I decided to head due south down the D1, a road which would have been regarded with enormous pride anywhere in Britain. Some of it dual carriageway, it ran straight and true towards Soissons in Champagne and on to Chateau Thierry. Then it petered out into a number of D-class roads through the Burgundiprietor, had been blocked for an towns of Sezanne, St

> ly Montbard. The boat is now stocked with provisions and the likelihood of a blockade on the canal probably looms as large as finding one on any of the roads we have so far used. If anyone is tempted to put

off their trip to France because of the travel problems: don't. Instead use the opportunity to leave the awful dangerous, concrete motorways and rediscover the real France which lies undisturbed just a snari away.

Florentin, Tonnere and final-

On second thoughts stay at home - it's pouring with rain and the forecast says it will

Two faces of France: Harvey Elliott's tranquil route from Calais to Burgundy on the side roads and a tank starting to remove a lorry from a road block across the Lille-Paris A1 highway Tips on beating the roadblocks

the French blockades was issued to British tourists last

The AA's Roadwatch advised motorists heading for

Stick to D roads, the French equivalent of B roads: ☐ Take a good, up-to-date map to help find alternative

Pack plenty of food and drink and games for children in case you get stranded;

Take extra French cash changing traveller's cheques off main routes may be difficult:

Fill up with petrol wheneyer you can — supplies in some areas are limited and many filling stations are But the AA warned motor

ists that they were not allowed to carry extra fuel on ferries. Holidaymakers on organised trips to France ADVICE LINES

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for the Association of British Travel Agents said: "At the moment it is still possible to travel in France and if you cancel then it is your decision.

Tour operators will be looking to find their customers alternative routes and you should keep in touch

"Only if the Foreign Office says it is unsafe to travel does our code of conduct state that holidaymakers should be offered an alternative holiday or their money

The Foreign Office advised to keep off autoroutes but said it was still possible to travel. Few tourist vehicles were advised last night to are now affected. Coaches keep in touch with their tour and cars are filtering through operators. An spokeswoman and police are redirecting Germany

traffic before it reaches Netherlands. "We tightened blockades," a spokeswoman our system with the entry

Thousands of tourists and lorries were still pouring through Dover, the main channel port, every day with numbers barely down on last year. Dover Harbour Board said. "Yesterday we handled nearly 8,000 tourist cars in both directions. People are not being put off and motorists are finding the backways," a spokesman

John MacGregor, trans-port secretary, said: "We are appalled at the road blockages in France and their effect on road users — hauliers and holidaymakers.

"Of course this is a matter for the French government to deal with, but there is a wider issue here — it is about road safety," he added. "What we are seeing is a protest about a penalty system which is well established in the UK and already exists in both and

our system with the entry into force of the new Road Traffic Act last Wednesday without any protests because we give high priority to road safety.
"With increasing prosperi-

ty, more goods are being carried from Britain through France and more British people are travelling through rance on holiday. "So I hope they realise in

France that there is an interest for us too in seeing road safety standards in France improved and I hope this is sue is solved in a way which promotes road safety."
The AA said last night that

the ports of Calais, Dunkirk, Le Havre and Caen were badaffected and main routes to Paris from Calais and Boulogne were blocked in several places. The towns of Clermont-Ferrand, Toulouse, Bordeaux and Poitiers and the Frej mnnel between France and Italy were all rethe ported to be cut off.

The Times continues its survey of Europe's dirty beaches

French clean up seaside resorts

Public pressure has resulted in France improving the water at its bathing spots, reports

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HAUTE-NORMANDE

Sean MacCarthaigh

ONE in ten French beaches, including some of the most mopular resorts, does not come up to European Com-rumity standards, according to an EC report.

Until this year, few among the 20 million people who visit French beaches every summer had any way of knowing which bathing spots were safe. Now the French environment ministry. a long with the country's tourilist board, has issued a map detailing pollution test results from 1,526 beaches in conjunction with the EC document, Quality of Bathung 1991.

The figures for last sumnner compare favourably with those from 1980 when 56 per cent of France's sea-water bathing spots met EC standards. The rest were either permanently polluted or expected, at some time in the year, to be over the limit.

But during the 1980s. under pressure from a more nware public, many regional governments cleaned up their beaches. The 1991 report shows a slight improvement on 1990.

But it says: "The poor watear quality of certain bathing sareas is directly or indirectly due to microbiological conlamination from sewage outitalls and storm overflows in Or near the bathing areas, or to material carried to the sea lby rivers."

France's worst coastline is the one facing Britain. From Calais to just before Cher-lbourg, 48 beaches are permanently or sporadically 120fluted.

Boulogne-sur-Mer. a favourite spot for day-trippers. tilways dirty. Deauville and

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Trouville, where hundreds of British tourists alternate between the casino and the beaches, are likely to be polbuted this summer.

The Atlantic coast is better, especially the Loire-Adantic, Vendée and Gi-ronde coastlines, which are all clean and safe But others, such as the main beach at La Rochelle, do not come up to scratch.

Despite the Mediterranean's reputation for being a

fails - the Grand Hotel beach favoured by the rich and famous. Only eight French Riviera beaches are olluted, the report says. D France's environment

ministry has set up a Minitel to check the latest results from this year's tests. Most French Telecom subscribers receive the Minitel on-line computer system free, instead of an annual phone

dirty sea. Nice's beaches pass the tests and just one of Cannes' 18 bathing spots

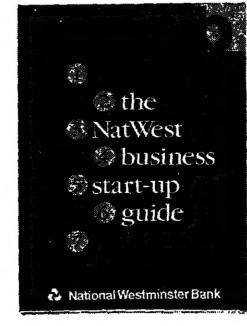
Town halls, which carry out the tests, are obliged to display the results as soon as

they become available. The health and environment ministries are responsible for testing the bathing sites, and grading them in accordance with EC standards. Local anthorities are responsible for the state of the water and

The funds available to local governments for cleaning beaches have been doubled, and 81 billion francs (£8.1 million) will be spent between now and 1996, Philippe Guettier, spokesman for the ministry's water sec-

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Crash victim wins £1.4m damages

By Frances GIBB. LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

A YOUNG violinist whose career was destroyed when she suffered brain injuries in a road crash received £1.4 million agreed damages at the High Court yesterday. The award could amount to £20 million in investment income if she lives into her

Rosie Johnson, who is 27 tomorrow, was in court to hear Mr Justice Judge say: "She is a remarkable person and tribute should be paid to her for her courage and great cheerfulness in the face of almost overwhelming

adversity."
Miss Johnson, who lives with carers in Hounslow, west London, near her adoptive parents, lan and Mary Johnson, was fourth violin with the Welsh Nat-ional Opera Orchestra before the accident in August

She was on her way to a recording session when the car in which she was a passenger pulled out to pass a line of traffic just before a blind bend on the A5 at Liangolien, Clwyd, hitting a lorry head on. Damages and costs were awarded against the car driver, Daniel Lyness, of Atlantic Wharf, Cardiff, who admitted liability.

The bulk of the award,

El million, will be invested under a "structured settlement", the increasingly popular alternative to a lump-sum award, which provides inflation-proof tax-free income from annuities for the rest of life.

Miss Johnson was in a waking coma for more than seven months after the accident. She was at great risk of death when she was admitted to the brain injuries unit of the Royal Hospital and Home at Putney, southwest London

Hugh Bennett, QC, her counsel, said yesterday the hospital's skill and the love and care of her parents had achieved great marvels. Rosie regained consciousness and was now aware of her predicament. She could



Helping hands: Rosie Johnson with her adoptive parents Ian and Mary. The judge praised their support

remember her life before the accident. She was only able to walk slowly and for short distances. Her communication was severely restricted. but she seemed to understand conversations. She still enjoyed listening to classical

The tragedy has been the

second faced by Rosie's father Ian, 56, who has taken early retirement from the Inland Revenue, and her mother Mary, 57, a laboratory technician. A son whom they adonted with Rosie died of cancer in his teens. Mr Bennen said: "Fate has been

brave, resilient and truly devoted parents." The judge said: "The victim is a lovely young woman with the personality and character to lead a full and

happy life in which she would have brought joy to countless people through her music. The burden now falls on her parents. They have already had their full share of sadness, but disaster, as so often happens, inspires re-markable human qualities. You don't have to read much about this case to be aware of their unstinting, unselfish love, devotion, patience and

Husband's lover 'kept diary of hate'

BY ROBIN YOUNG

A JURY at the Old Bailey yesterday heard extracts from a secret diary which were claimed to reveal the depths of hatred a woman harboured for her lover's wife, whom she is accused of

stabbing to death.

Michelle Taylor is said to have given her lover, John Shanghnessy, a lift home be-fore he discovered the body of his wife, Alison, whom she is accused of murdering only hours before.

John Nutting, for the pros-ecution, said that Miss Tay-lor's diaries for October and November 1990 demonstrated the "sinister feelings" Miss Taylor held toward Alison Shanghnessy, a bank clerk.

Mr Nuting said that the diary revealed an obsession with Mr Shaughnessy and suppressed jealousy towards his wife. She had written: "I have Allient he was marked." hate Alison, the unwashed bitch. My dream solution would be for Alison to disappear as if she never existed and then maybe I could give everything I wanted to the man I love." On October 29 she wrote: "We then made love. He always rushes off after though, always."

Mr Numing said that Miss Taylor's affair with Mr Shaughnessy, with whom she worked at the Churchill clinic in Lambeth, south London, had begun before his marriage and continued. After Mr Shaughnessy had told her he would never leave his wife Miss Taylor had hatched a plot with her sister Lisa, 18, to kill Mrs Shaughnessy.

They stabbed her to death at her flat in Battersea, southwest London, in June last year, Mr Nutting said. A post-mortem showed she had been stabbed 54 times. After the murder the sisters returned to the clinic and Miss Taylor gave Mr Shaughnessy

Miss Taylor, 21, and her sister, of Forest Hill, southeast London, deny murder. The case continues today. The case continues today.

MEWS IN BRIEF 'Hellfire' preacher

resigns THE Rev Alex Buchan, the Church of Scotland minister whose "hellfire" preaching had split the congregation on Sanday, Orkney, resigned yesterday saying that he could the say that he could be saying that he

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no longer stand up to the "injustice and pressure". Since he arrived last year. six elders had started holding their own services, saying that Mr Buchan's "nineteenth century evangelical style" was

unacceptable. Mr Buchan said: "I have a happy congregation of nearly 30 who are very sad. Many were in tears when I was forced to tell them that I would be resigning."

DNA plea fails The High Court yesterday refused to order blood tests to

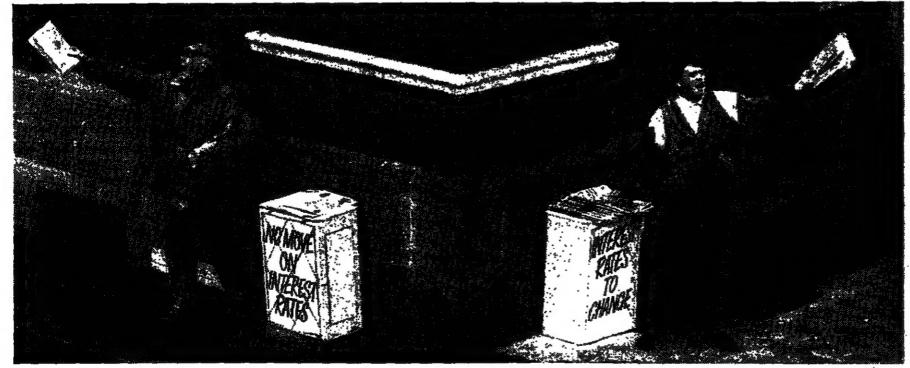
establish who is the father of an eight-month-old girl. Judge Callman ruled that DNA "fingerprinting" which might show she was illegitimate would not be in her interests. A court order had been sought by a man who had an affair with the girl's mother. He believed the child could be his but the mother and her husband were satisfied it was theirs.

Officer hurt

A policeman was found unconscious next to his car at Haslingden, Lancashire, early yesterday after being beaten by two men armed with a crowbar and a knife. Sergeant David Calderbank, 38, is thought to have stopped a red Ford Escort van. He called on his radio for help and put up a struggle. Police seek two men in their twen-ties, one white with a ponytail and the other of mixed race.

Builder fined

A builder was fined £30,000 at St Albans Crown Court after an employee was buried alive when a trench collapsed during golf course contract work on Lord Brocket's Hertfordshire estate. Lionel Whitnell, 36, trading as Whitnell Plant, of Colchester, Essex, admitted four safety offences.



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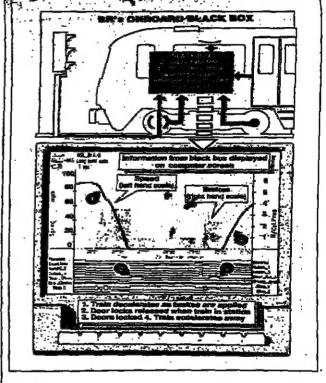


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> in accident enquiries to help rail officials identify what or who was responsible. The in-formation can also be used to formation can also be used to monitor a driver's perfor-mance, enabling the technol-ogy to double up as driver training aids. Data recorders also enable maintenance staff to pin-point faults rap-idly, reducing the time that trains are out of service for remairs.

Although the introduction



Trains fitted with black-box recorder

completed the first phase of a multi-million pound pro-gramme to install "black box" data recorders on Network SouthEast commuter trains as part of a new pro-gramme of passenger safety. trains on the network's Thameslink, Stansted Ex-

press, Euston-Northampton Liverpool Street-outer subur ban. Waterloo, Bourne-mouth and Weymouth, and South London-inner subur-ban services, will be equipped with black boxes to monitor and record all essential train functions, at a cost of about E3.5 million.

The new technology, first developed in Britain by Secheron Hasler, a Swiss company specialising in railway measuring equipment, collects data from 32 train functions, including acceleration and speed, brake applications, track warning signals, door operations and

the emergency handle.

The primary function of black box information will be

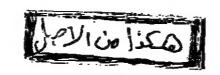
widely associated with one of the recommendations made by the Hidden report into the Network SouthEast had decided to install the devices into new trains months be-fore the accident, after a series of experiments with a pilot system since 1984.

It could be many years be-fore every train is fitted with the technology. Once Parizzi, the Italian electronics company, has completed the con-tract to fit the devices to the new Networker trains for the Chiltern, Thames, and South Eastern lines in a few years, black box installation is likely to slow down.

Network SouthEast staff say there are 330 sliding door carriages built in the 1970s and 1980s which will have to be fitted with black boxes. There are a further 600 carriages used on London, Tilbury and South-end, Sussex coast, Kent coast and South Western services. Network SouthEast staff say that there is a commitment to fit black box technology to these trains, known as "life" slam-door carriages

The "short life" slam-doc carriages used on Kent Link and Thames routes will not be fitted with the technolog as they are to be replaced with new Networker trains from the autumn. Outside the commuter net-

a data recorder is tested on InterCity



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Girl killed herself while taking A levels

By Richard Ford, home correspondent

A SCHOOLGIRL with a place at Oxford University killed herself while taking her A levels because she felt life was not worth it, an inquest was told yesterday.

Catherine Clegg, 18, an academically gifted grammar school girl, took an overdose of painkillers hours before she was due to sit her second

She died in hospital 12 hours after she was found in bed unconscious by her mother, who had gone to her room to wish her good luck. Verity Clegg, of Salisbury, Wiltshire, discovered her daughter sur-rounded by empty pill pack-ets and a note which said: "It was not worth while carrying on." Her husband Christopher, a scientist at the Porton Down research establishment, called an ambulance and Miss Clegg was taken to Salisbury General Infirmary. where she fell deeper into unconsciousness and died 12

She was taking four A levels and had been offered a place at Oxford on condition that

ty manager of the local Citizens Advice Bureau, told an ingest at Salisbury: "My daughter was a normal, rather quiet, teenager who spent a great deal of time on her own, reading. She was extremely bright."
She told Bill Bache, the

deputy coroner for Wiltshire, that Miss Clegg, a pupil at South Wiltshire Giris' grammar school, had shown no signs that she was depressed and no unusual behaviour. Catherine Bolton, the dead girl's best friend, said in a statement: "She didn't seem any more worried about her exams than the rest of us. I was shocked when she died. I just could not believe it."

Recording a verdit of sui-cide. Mr Bache said: "She was a talented pupil who ap-peared to have everything to live for." He added that Miss Clegg had been fortunate in having the support of a caring, intelligent family where problems were openly discussed. Mr Bache said: "Her suicide note contained no criticism of her parents or family and blamed no one for

when she died. It made no specific reference to any particular problem."
Suicide is the third com-

monest cause of death in young people, after cancer and accidents. In 1990, 591 people under 25 killed themselves but only 79 were women. However, there has been a four-fold increase in the number of young women attempting suicide during the past decade.

The Samaritans, who have set up youth counselling services in north and south London, suggest that the pressure to succeed, particularly at a time when jobs are scarce, has become greater.

The charity Kidscape said that it received more and more letters from young people discussing suicide. They mentioned the ozone layer, animal cruelty. Aids, drugs, and exams, said Michele Elliott, the director. She said that there were new pressures facing women. "The rules used to be quite simple," she said. "They grew up, got a job, married and took care of their family. Now it is not so



Lydia Gladwin: law surrounding prostitution needs to be re-examined

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Mothers' Union minority backs legal brothels

Women dedicated to promoting Christian family values have modified their stance on prostitution, reports Ruth Gledhill

A FIFTH of Mothers' Union members would be prepared to accept legalised brothels. A statement yesterday by the organisation, which promotes Christian family values, shows a move away from total opposition to the idea.

A survey of the member-ship, carried out in group discussions and debates, found that more than two thirds were against legalisation, but about a fifth would support legal brothels with certain conditions.

The organisation's social concern committee considered reports from representatives of 20,000 branches in the UK and Ireland. About 3,000 members took part in discussions which led to a vote by the committee in

Of the 59 committee members, 40 were against legalisation, 13 were in fayour and the remainder were undecided. Of those against legalisation, 23 voted against but "with reservations". Only 17 of the 59 were firmly opposed to legalised brothels and six were undecided.

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The statement will be submitted to the government should a bill on prostitution be brought forward.

The Mothers' Union, an Anglican organisation whose stated purpose is "to be concerned with all that strengthers and preserves marriage. ens and preserves marriage and Christian family life", and which has 200,000 members in the UK and Ireland, urged churches and the state to address the issue of

Lydia Gladwin, vice-chairman of the committee and a social worker, said: These proposals are for a rethink on prostitution. We would like to see some research conducted.

The law surrounding prostinution is in need of reexamination."

Lynette Paul, the commit-tee chairman, who with Mrs Gladwin announced the statement at the Mothers' Union headquarters in London yesterday, said one step forward would be to give + prostitutes suspended fines.

Many women were forced back on the streets to pay their court lines, she said. Suspending the lines for sev-eral years allowed them to break free from this lifestyle. Another proposal could be licensed houses run by prostitutes, without recourse to a

nites, without recourse to a pimp or madame.

Some members of the union favour decriminalisation of kerb crawling and soliciting. Regarding the demand for services offered by prostitutes, Mrs Paul said that having lived in Balham, south London, she could think of no way of preventing men from seeking them out.

"In Balham, we had to escort even the Guides in

escort even the Guides in their uniforms to and from their meetings because they were being pestered. Mothers collecting their children from school were stopped by cars in the street."

The union emphasised the link between prostitution and marriage breakdown, poverty, drug dependency, homelessness, unemployment and lack of caring.

The statement is the first

issued by the union since 1983, when it endorsed the warning that the "nest of prostitutes" should remain

In its statement yesterday, the union said: "The majority of members taking part in the debate opposed the legalisa-tion of brothels. However, there has been a noticeable movement away from total

There was a clear recogni-tion of the difficulty of pro-ducing effective, enforceable legislation which would strike a balance between the right and liberties of and the protection of the prostitute. the

Nina Lopez-Jones, of the English Collective of Prosti-tutes, said that it was pleased that the Mothers' Union took poverty and unemployment into account, but added: "Legalisation would lead to sex gliettos and an assembly line of sex with high taxes and few benefits for the women."

Farmers accused of whingeing

BY MICHAEL HORNSBY AGRICULTURE

REFORM of the European Community's common agricultural policy (CAP) will be an ecological disaster unless the government side protection, farmers and environmental groups said yesterday at agricul-ture's premier event. John Gummer, the agri-

culture minister, paying his traditional opening day visit to the Royal Show at Stoneleigh, Warwickshire, accused his critics of premature whingeing and said

the CAP reforms came from a less expected quarter when Sir Leon Brittan. a former Tory cabinet minister now serving as vice-president of the European Commission, questioned the wisdom of paying farmers to grow nothing.

"Have we really removed the incentive to produce as much as possible? And will fit seem wise and accentable.

it seem wise and acceptable to rely on ever-increasing set-aside to achieve our ob-jectives? Have we targeted the policy sufficiently to achieve the environmental objectives which have in-creasingly become the com-mon concern of farmers and the population at

cereal support prices with compensation for farmers who agree to leave 15 per cent of their arable land fallow. This is expected to lead to British farmer to lead to British farmers tak-ing 1.5 million acres, an area slightly larger than Devon, out of crop production.

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MENS IN BRIEF

mature whingeing and said he was fighting to put environmental protection at the heart of agricultural policy. More muted criticism of the CAP reforms came from

large?"
The centrepiece of the reforms is a 29 per cent cut in

Patrick Holden, director of British Organic Farmers, said set-aside would be "an environmental disaster of catastrophic proportions; casting a blight on the en-tire landscape of Europe." Mr Gummer said that during Britain's six-month

Ban sought on sample sachets

Free samples of detergents, shampoo and shaving foam pushed through letter boxes are a hazard to children and pets, and should be banned, trading standards officers say. Many of the sachets contain chemicals that would cause sickness if swallowed. Officers in London have had complaints from resi-

the sachets are not legally required to be in child-proof containers. The Association of London Authorities wants the sam-ples restricted to personal delivery. "It is important that people have control over what comes unsolicited through their front door," a spokes-

dents and are concerned that

Charity check

man said.

The Scottish Charities Office has set up a unit to investigate allegations of mismanagement and misconduct by charities. Any organisation calling itself a charity without plant Persons and property of the charity without allegated Persons and property of the charity without plant persons and persons Inland Revenue approval will face prosecution.

Two detained

Two men have been detained by police investigating the murder of Ian Foster, 26, a security guard shot in a payroll robbery in Farnworth. Greater Manchester, on Thursday.

65-mile chase

Two men and a youth aged 16 were arrested near Birmingham after being chased by police for 65 miles. The chase began after a van was driven away from a club in Castle Gresley, Derbyshire.

Air ticket

Kevin Johnson, of Southampten, was given a parking nicket after high winds forced him to land his hot-air balloon in the city centre.

Grubs up Scouts on a survival training course at Baildon Moor, West Yorkshire, this weekend will

have to eat worm omelettes and honey-coated locusts.

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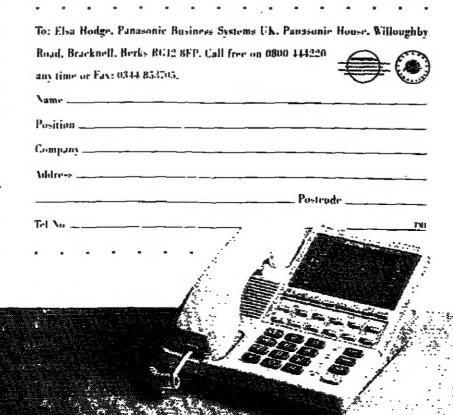
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TV dispute could take top shows off screen

BY MELINDA WITTSTOCK. MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

A DISPUTE between independent television and Thames Television could lead to popular programmes such as Coronation Street being taken off the screens in the

Thames area this autumn. Thames, the sole serious bidder for the Channel 5 licence today, has threatened to replace networked favourites with its own pro-grammes unless the television companies agree to buy The Bill and other top-rated Thames programmes for

showing next year. Independent television wants The Bill only if Thames relinquishes for ten years its right to broadcast repeats of previous episodes of the police series on any commercial channel, including Channel 5 or UK Gold, the new satellite entertainment channel Thames is launching with the BBC this autumn.

But Thames, which becomes an independent producer when its network licence ends on December vision's demand is unreasonable. Thames's involvement in both UK Gold and today's Channel 5 bid depends on its ability to provide hit programmes from its library as well as repeats of new pro-grammes it has sold as an independent producer to independent television, the BBC or Channel 4.

An independent television executive said: "Why should we nurture an appenie for The Bill only for that to be taken advantage of on another channel? The Bill is not valuable enough to us unless the repeat rights are

If independent television does not back down today. Thames will drop all network programmes to make way for a huge backlog of first-run television films and its own shows such as Minder, Wish You Were Here and This Is Your Life, which have already begun production on the assumption that independent

for next year's schedule. Viewers in London would miss all other independent television programmes except News At Ten, which is negoti-ated by ITN separately, while Thames would maximise its advertising revenue. The move could also damage Carlton Television, which takes over from Thames in

January.

But the Independent Television Commission would be powerless to force Thames to broadcast the network schedule. Thames's only obligation is to transmit local and national news and two hours of current affairs each week.

Thames, which is restricted to 15 per cent shareholdings in Channel 5 and UK Gold under rules governing independent producers, is also considering dropping out of independent production altogether if its programme sup-ply negotiations with independent television fail. This would mean it could take larger stakes, or even control, of these and other channels.

But that plan is not without its risks. Growing doubt about the financial backing of Channel 5 Holdings, the Thames-led consortium which will today emerge as the only mainstream bidder for the new franchise, de-creases the likelihood that the Independent Television Commission will award the licence

Channel 5 Holdings. which is expected to submit a minimum bid of just £1,000 a year, is not fully financed. Two of its key shareholders --Sony Pictures, the parent of the Hollywood studio Columbia, and Canwest, the Winnipeg-based international broadcaster - dropped out last week, while negotiations over the weekend failed to secure replacements. Only Thames and Moses Znaimer. the Canadian entrepreneur. remain, which means that most of the consortium's equity will have to be raised in the 12 weeks after the award

Cheshire Cat is found still grinning in Durham



Smilers: the Cheshire Cat with Alice, and its supposed inspiration with Jane Atkinson, owner of the rectory where Lewis Carroll lived

Where did he get that cat? Devotees of Lewis Carroll believe they have found his smirking feline, Paul Wilkinson reports

Joel Birenbaum, an Alice fan from Chicago, who was among the 35 members on the visit. He said: "From the front, it looks just like a cat,

Richmond before leaving home for Rugby and then Oxford. The rectory remained the family home until 1868. Items associated to the Woods and \$1000. with the Wonderland story. with the wonderland story, including a white glove, crockery, a thimble and sea shells, have been found under the floorboards.

Edward Wakeling, the society's membership secretary, said that it was purely supposition that the church

supposition that the church cat inspired Carroll. "but when you look up from the height of a small boy, all you can see in the grin, it's the Cheshine Cat".

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appear and then disappear "quite slowly with the end of the tail and ending with the grin, which remained for

ome time after the rest of the head had gone".

Alice muses: "I have often

seen a cat without a grin,

but not a grin without a cat.
It is the most curious thing I
have seen in all my life.

Carroli came to the village

rectory in 1843, aged 11, and went to school locally at

Dodgson, a mathematics lecturer, created the Alice stories after a boat trip with the daughters of his friend H.G. Liddell, Lorina, Edith

Canals may offer drought lifeline

Britain's historic waterways could take on a new role providing water to regions hit by shortages, John Young reports

BRITISH Waterways is to study the possibility of using the country's canal network to transport water to drought-hit areas.

David Ingman, British Waterways chairman, said yesterday that the 2.000 miles of eighteenth and nineteenth century canals offered an ideal means of tackling the water shortages in southern and eastern England.

Initial studies had shown that the cost of improving the existing network could be only a tenth of installing a national pipeline system. Op-erating costs would also be much lower.

Mr Ingman described oth-er proposals, including desalination plants, importing water from abroad, and towing icebergs south, as either "zany" or too costly.

A feasibility study will examine the transportation of up to 80 million gallons of water a day from a point somewhere north of Stokeon-Trent to Oxford and Milion Keynes by way of the Shropshire Union, Trent & Mersey, Coventry, Oxford and Grand Union canals. Of that up to 20 million gallons a day could be diverted via the river Trent and 40 million gallons supplied to East An-

Mr Ingman said: "We could be up and running within five years. We are now in the process of seeking tenders from major con-

sultancies."
"Leaving aside the drought, we are moving towards the time when demand exceeds local resources," he said. It would be necessary to use pipes to pump water uphill and to bypass locks and bridges, he said. Canals would need to be deepened but not widened.

The National Rivers Authority welcomed the study. A spokesman said: "It does not offer a quick-fix solution, although it could be implemented somewhat more quickly than some options we are considering.".

☐ Recent surveys showing public support for water metering gave a misleading impression, the National Consumer Council says in the latest issue of its magazine, Consumer Voice. Robin Simpson, the council's deputy director, writes that the surveys did not include information about the full cost to the consumer, or other relevant information such as leakage rates from water mains.

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Cancer victims rely on friends

BY NICHOLAS WATT

CANCER sufferers receive inadequate home care and many rely on the good nature of friends and relatives, according to a survey published yesterday. Carers spend an average of 12 hours a day helping cancer sufferers and

a fifth devote 24 hours a day. The survey of nearly 1,000 people was conducted by Mori for the Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund. The sample was broken down into three groups: cancer suffer-ers; their carers; and the friends, relatives and col-

leagues of sufferers. Janet Doyle, regional nurse adviser for the East Anglia Health Region, said: "Too many people are falling through the net. There are good voluntary groups but this is patchy. The forthcom-Care in the Community Act needs to be responsive to people's needs and the act could reinforce the findings

highlighted in the survey." More than 60 per cent of carers become ill because of the enormous pressures. Francine Bates, of the Carers National Association, said: The report confirms our view that carers need far more practical and emotional support ... there is a level of exploitation but very few carers want to discharge their

responsibilities." Cancer touches almost every family in Britain. One in three will develop the disease at some time and the number of cases will double by 2010. Yet the survey found there is a still a taboo about cancer. One 51-year-old woman, suffering from breast cancer, said: "At the beginning it was very, very difficult. I just wanted him [her husband] to hold me and cuddle me but he treated me as if I were diseased.

However the report did find that some sufferers have found their experience enriching. One 39-year-old married woman said: "I am more positive, anything I want to do. I do.'

The Macmillan Nurse Appeal aims to raise £20 million to increase the number of its nurses - specialists in cancer care - in hospitals.

Doctors agree to ration health care

BY JEREMY LAURANCE HEALTH SERVICE CORRESPONDENT

SOME patients will have to go without treatment because the NHS cannot meet all the demands made upon it, doctors agreed yesterday. They also said that rationing of health care was an "unfortunate fact of life".

But decisions on which treatment should be given priority and which restricted should be made openly and in consultation with the government and the public, doctors attending the British Medical Association's annual confer-

ence in Nottingham said. Dr Peter Teebay, from Liverpool, said rationing had always been a feature of health care. "We can't stop it, the best we can do is ensure it is fair and open." But Dr Jeffrey Cundy warned: "Britain spends less on health care than other countries and if you vote for rationing you let the government off the book."

The vote to accept rationing marks a significant break with the tradition that doctors should not count the cost of what they do because they have an ethical duty to provide the best care for each

panent. Speaking to reporters later. Dr Jeremy Lee-Potter, chairman of council, denied that an acceptance of rationing would weaken demand for more NHS funds. "Both problems of under-funding and rationing have got to be dealt with," he said. Dr Lee-

Potter said the experiment in Oregon, USA, where the pub-lic were asked to rank 700 medical procedures in order of priority "pointed the way" towards a possible rationing mechanism. That exercise gave hip replacements a high priority but premature babies who could not be resuscitated

came low on the list, he said. Earlier, Dr Lee-Potter su vived a vote of no-confidence in his personal leadership of the association. But restive delegates narrowly voted to censure all the chief officers for failing to oppose the NHS reform with sufficient "vigour, and imagination".

Dr Richard Greenwood said the whole council, of which he himself is a member, was to blame. "When the Titanic hit an iceberg it was at least going somewhere. We are like the Bismarck after it was hit - going round in

Dr John Malks, former chairman of council, attacked the leadership: "I believe the so-called reforms are the greatest threat to the NHS. The council has not pursued tims effectively.

But Dr Lee-Potter said the votes demonstrated the wounded psyche" of the profession. "There is a hard core of very battered people out

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HIV doctor urged to contact hospital

BY TIM JONES

HEALTH officials yesterday renewed their appeal for an eye surgeon reported to have operated on patients after contracting HIV to contact them. By yesterday afternoon. more than 600 people treated for eye disorders had rung telephonic help lines to express their concern:

As officials tried to get in touch with the ophthalmic consultant, who is on holiday, Stephen Collinson, chief executive of Queen Mary's Hospital. Sidcup, southeast London, said patients had not been exposed to any risk while being treated by the

He said: "Most were treatéd by-laser technology which involves no contact and even when physical contact was involved we are satisfied no

Since the allegations were made, in a Sunday newspaper, the surgeon, Peter Curran, has not contacted the hospital. He began his holiday last Thursday, before the hospital learned of the newspaper allegations.

Bexley health authority has opened up telephone lines to help patients treated by the surgeon. Some of the callers have asked for tests to determine whether they are HIV positive while others will receive counselling.

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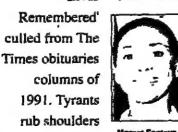
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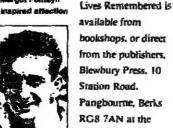
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Nun lights up comet's tale BY NICK NUITALL TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

CLAIMS by an unknown scientific society that Halley's comet has been knocked out of its 76-year orbit and is heading back to Earth were dismissed yes-terday as the opening shots of the end-of-millenium season, during which historians have noted a rise in prognostication, fortune elling and occultism.

The Scientific Forecasts Society, which has six members, has based its claims on the predictions of a Carmelite nun named Sister Marie Gabriel, who said in 1987 that the comet would suffer

an explosion in 1991. The society says that the explosion happened in February last year and that the comet is heading back to Earth, where it will disintegrate in a shower of "cosmic fireworks". The event will have "an almost spiritual impact...We may see some connection between its return and the Book of Reve-

lations." Zoe Richmond. the society's secretary, said yesterday. Scientists do not expect

the comet to return until 2061. Mark Bailey, an astronomer and senior lecturer in mathematics at Liverpool Polytechnic, who has studied the way comets have shaped history and cultures, said that the claim seemed to mark the start of millenial acivity. "I guess these kinds of forecasts will become increasingly popular as we reach the dreaded

The society, based in Hampstead, northwest London, publicised its claims in a newspaper advertisement yesterday. Its works are supported by an unidentified philanthropist who is one of its members. Miss Richmond insisted that it was serious about its claims. "We are waiting for the astronomers with the

big telescopes to confirm in

eight to ten months' time that they have sighted the comet returning," she said. "Obviously, this will be very, Peter Andrews, an authority on comets at the Royal

Greenwich Observatory, said that he was aware of the society's claims and that it was true that a collision or some other event, had happened in early 1991 which made the comet "seem to get brighter". However he said that the comet, which is near Uranus and becoming invisible to telescopes, remained in "a perfectly well-defined

The society sees the end of Halley's comet as being beneficial to mankind. Unfortunately, Sister Marie Gabriel is also calculating that the event might also be linked with an asteroid impact, possibly of the kind that destroyed the

2,400 MILLION POUNDS WENT INTO THIS DOOR.



AND ONE OTHER ESSENTIAL INGREDIENT...

Dentists urged to think again on NHS boycott

BY PHILIP WEBSTER CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

DENTISTS should think long and hard before they take action that could jeopardise a system that has brought unprecedented improvements in the quality of dental care, Virginia Bottomley, the health secre-tary, said yesterday after announcing a "fundamental into dentist remuneration.

Mrs Bottomley was replying to an emergency question in the Commons from Labour's shadow health sec-retary, Robin Cook, after dentists voted to partially withdraw from the NHS. Regretting the outcome of the dentists' ballot, Mrs Bottomley pledged that the government would take the necessary steps to safeguard NHS dental services, and said that family health service authorities had been reminded of their powers to employ salaried dentists if necessary.

During an angry clash with Mr Cook, Mrs Bottomley said that lower-paid workers in the health service would not have great confidence in Labour when they saw that it was supporting a professional group seeking a £5,000 increase above the 8.5 per cent pay rise it had been given.

Mr Cook had accused the government of creating a crisis by its policy of cutting fees to dentists while increasing charges to patients. He asked how Mrs Bottomley expected to get the agreement of dentists to a new contract if she proceeded with a cut in fees that broke the existing

He said that there were only nine salaried dentists in England, outside London. How far did Mrs Bottomley think it was reasonable for patients to travel in search of a salaried dentist?

Mrs Bottomley said that detailed arrangments for the review would be announced shortly. They are expected later this week. The review will cover regional variations in remuneration.

She said: "We must find a system which is fair to dentists, fair to patients and fair to the NHS. Meanwhile, we are monitoring the situation through family health service authorities to ensure that

NHS dental services remain

Mrs Bottomley insisted: There is a future in NHS dentistry. I believe the funda-

been considerable improvements in dental care over recent years, adding: "I hope that the dentists will not jeopardise this progress."
She added: "I hope no

Last year 30 per cent of dentists earned more than £100,000, including their ex-

To have achieved the £35,800 a year recommended by the dentists' pay review body would have needed a fee cut of 23 per cent. Mrs Bottomley said. "We decided that a 7 per cent fee reduction

ntists an average income of 641,000 this year. Patients will find it surprising that a profession which was prepared to accept £35,815 is now threatening to take action when we intend to pay them well over £40,000 substantially more than the

She said the review offered a "far more constructive way forward than action to withdraw NHS services from NHS patients".

Mrs Bottomley said she hoped dentists would think carefully before taking action at the moment when all were agreed that a better way of remunerating them had to be found. "This may be a system

mental review ... will make that future very clear." The minister said there had

patient is deterred from seeking dental care by this action. Patients currently rightly have high expectations and respect for their dentists. I hope they will have no cause to change that over the coming weeks." NHS dentistry had never been more effective and some 30 million patients were now signed up, she said.

penses. Mrs Bottomley said. About 40 dentists earned more than £200,000.

... was a fair and reasonable way forward. This will give

review body intended."

Roger Sims, Conservative MP for Chislehurst, said that it was irresponsible of dentists to take action at this stage when there was a real prospect of the problems relating to their remuneration being solved by the review.



This may hurt: the cost of dental treatment seems likely to rise after thousands of dentists voted to withdraw partially from the NHS

that has stood the test of time Dispute over payments ends in rift for many years. But the time has come when we have to have a system that inspires more confidence in the den-

THE industrial action announced yesterday comes after months of fruitless negotiation between the health department and dentists' associations and ultimately stems from a dispute over the average dentist's income: a figure of which nobody can

tists and the NHS and is

better for patients," she said.

that, after the "chaos" created

by the current contract, a new

system of remuneration was

urgently needed. The Conser-

varives had promised before

the election not to privatise

the NHS, but what other

word described the situation

when "more and more dental

patients are being told they

will have to go private". Mr

Cook challenged ministers to "now admit that all those

promises about privatising

the NHS were as hollow as all

those claims about economic

Mrs Bottomley said: "There are no cases known

where it has not been possible

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to secure an NHS dentist."

Mr Cook said he agreed

In February the govern-ment proposed a 13.8 per cent cut in fees to prevent overspending of £15 million a month by the health de-partment in subsidising NHS treatment. The depart-ment claimed that fees paid to the dentist for each course of treatment were too high.

After protests from dentists, plans to implement the cut were suspended until the election was over. f On June 2 the proposals were watered down by Virginia Bottomley, the health secretary, who an-

For months dentists and the health department have been at loggerheads over fees, Alison Roberts writes

nounced a cut of only 7 per

Mrs Bottomley claimed that one in three dentists had a gross income of more that £100,000 last year, resulting in an average net income of £44,000. This figure is disputed by dentists who say that many take home less than £30,000 and that the cut in fees would reduce this by about £6,000.

The savings to be made by the health department have been estimated at £50 million. Dentists proposed that a similar amount could be recouped by suspending the provision of bridges and veneers for a year, but the gov-ernment rejected this approach. The British Den-Association says that maintaining a government subsidy on such cosmetic work puts the rest of the service at risk.

Relations between the government and the profession deteriorated as dentists accused the health department of shabby negotiating tactics and of paying only lip service to the recommendations of an independent pricing com-mittee. The BDA announced its withdrawal from talks on June 12.

Dentists are also taking is-

sue with a second reform. The threshold of treatment costs above which dentists must seek prior approval from the Dental Practice Board before carrying out treatment will be lowered from £300 to £200. Dentists say this will delay opera-tions. Mrs Bottomley has said that this claims it will only affect 3 per cent of treatment courses and will im-prove the department's monitoring of costs. She has maintained throughout that the changes strike the right balance between the needs of patients, dentists and other

health service workers. More than 10 per cent of dentists have already with-drawn from the NHS and set up private practices. Many of these are in the South-East and London where expenses

AROUND THE LOBBY

Maxwell arrests attacked

The controversy sur-rounding the timing of the arrest of Kevin and Ian Maxwell was raised with Sir Nicholas Lyell, the attorney-general, during questions.

Kevin Maxwell's wife. Pandora, has said in a letter to The Times that the arrest took place despite offers that he would present himself for interview at any time. John Morris, shadow attorneygeneral, asked whether it was necessary to carry out arrests in the early hours with journalists present.

Sir Nicholas said he shared the desire not inflig tion". But he added: "These matters are operational matters for the police and the versatile critics might well ask themselves what they would be say-ing if a potential defendant in any circumstances, having been accorded any particular privilege, were then not able to be arrested."

Lords defeat

The government was de-feated in the Lords on payments to people in bed-and-breakfast accommodation. Peers voted by 126 to 108 to give extra payments to people with no cooking facilities to compensate for the cost of eating out.

Aid for Africa

British aid to the drought-stricken countries of Africa totals £87.83 million, Mark Lennox-Boyd, a Foreign Office minister, said.

Parliament today Commons (2.30): Oues-

tions: Employment; prime minister. Finance bill, remaining stages, first day. Lords (2.30): Civil Service (Management Functions) bill, committee.

It took courage to stake 2,400 million pounds in the space of a few years on achieving a leading role in the European commercial vehicle market-especially considering that it involved the total rethink of every aspect from basic research and vehicle design to manufacturing

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CURAGE

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Ministers clash over fighter project cost

BY MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT AND ROBIN OAKLEY IN MUNICH

BRITAIN and Germany were deadlocked vesterday over the future of the £20 billion European Fighter Aircraft programme, with both sides offering compromises but in totally different

Volker Ruhe, the German defence minister, told Mal-colm Rifkind, his British counterpart, during a meet-ing in London that he had no intention of ploughing money into the production phase of the EFA programme. He urged him to consider his proposal of building a new aircraft that would be cheaper and lighter and more sufted to the changed security environment in Europe.

Mr Rifkind offered cost cuts in the EFA project but rejected the idea of "starting from scratch" with a new

At a press conference, Mr emphasised that Mr Major Rilkind said abandoning and Signor Amato had

Conservatives put Rühe on the rack

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

CONSERVATIVE MPs told the world and the need for the German defence minister last night of their disappointment at his country's decision to pull out of the European

fighter aircraft project. Volker Rühe, appearing be-fore a special private session of the Tory backbench defence committee, was warned that the decision might impair Anglo-German relations. He went to the meeting at the Commons after his encounter with Malcolm Rifkind, the defence secretary, and was given a polite but uncomfortable grilling by some 65 MPs with defence

Emerging from the meet-ing, Jerry Wiggin, the former defence minister, accused Herr Rühe of giving an "apologia for Germany's disgrace ful decision". He said it had been based on "total failure to perceive the difficult state of

EFA would mean throwing E5 billion already spent on the development of the aircraft down the drain". A new aircraft would take another

five years to design. He said Herr Ruhe's approach was neither sound nor esponsible and insisted that the four nations involved in the development programme, Britain, Germany, Italy and Spain, had a duty to their taxpayers to see that the £5

billion was not wasted. The grim faces of British ministers and officials in London were matched in Munich by an equally sombre meeting between John Major and Guiliano Amato, the Italian prime minister, who discussed EFA before the start of the G7 summit.

Rather than coming out with a renewed commitment to the project. British officials

Germany of all countries to

he seen to make a major

contribution to the defence of

weak decision, a sorry day for Natio. Herr Ruhe, he said, had been left in no

doubt "that the Conservative

party is grievously disap-pointed with the Germans."

Another MP said: "The Germans see a collapsed Seviet linion: They say they

see no need for a plane that

will operate out-of-area. After the Gulf we say we need the bear-plane available."

Mr Wiggin said it was a

the Nato alliance".

was taken on the production phase next year.

Most of the development work had covered the plane's airframe and engines, with seven prototypes and 40 engines in various stages of test-ing. Cost cuts could be made by reducing the number of missiles carried or dropping the in-flight refuelling capab-

agreed on the urgent need to

look for cost reductions. Al-though British sources said

there was "no reference to

pulling out", this was a clear

indication of Italian alarm

about the likely size of the bill

for persevering with the project following Germany's withdrawal.

The Italians have just intro-

duced tough fiscal measures

to reduce the country's spiral-

ling budget deficit and high

borrowing, and Signor Amato told Mr Major that

further moves to tackle Italy's

economic problems would in-volve public spending cuts.

In London, Mr Rifkind

said he had no reason to believe that Italy or Spain would withdraw from EFA.

He and his Italian and Span-

ish counterparts would be

meeting soon, he said, to de-

cide what further cuts could

be made, before the decision

lity, Mr Rifkind said. However, Herr Ruhe, at his rival press conference at the German ambassador's residence, said he was not interested in a slimmed-down

He wanted an "organically" different plane and asked the EFA pariners to consider spending the rest of the development money, some 3 billion German marks (about £1 billion) on designing a new aircraft, based on different

tactical requirements. The German air force chiefs have called for Bonn to continue with EFA but Herr Ruhe said: "The Lunwaffe don't make the decisions, the government does."

According to MPs Herr Rule was unresponsive to ar-The German minister, who gosterns about job losses. In apply to one he said that there later faced highly critical questions from Conservative were four million out of work MPs, confirmed that Bonn in the eastern part of Gerwould honour its obligations many, so the effect on around 5,000 jobs in the western part by paying out for the rest of the development programme. was not a significant factor.



Monkey business: the actress Carol Royle marches on Downing Street yesterday to demand a ban on the import of wild-caught primates for research. She joined MPs of all parties to present a report on the trade to the prime minister

UK will prosper through Europe says Heseltine

By ARTHUR LEATHLEY

MICHAEL Heseltine, the president of the Board of Trade, yesterday staged a spirited defence of the government's counter-recessionary policy, confidently which would improve further through Britain's future with-

Mr Heseltine, provoked by Labour accusations that the government made repeated false promises about the recession before the election, responded by predicting greater prosperity, which he said was already becoming evident.

During lively exchanges with Gordon Brown, the shadow trade and industry secretary, Mr Heseltine reinforced his department's commitment to a single European market. "It is here that some of the most exciting develop-

taking place." Opening an opposition de-bate on the recession in industry, Mr Brown embarked government's "betrayed promises" on the recession

and economic recovery.

The government election manifesto had been "built on a fiction and has been guilty of misleading the country, he said. "The truth is that the only recovery that the Conservative party was interested in was recovery of power.

Unemployment, disgracefully and tragically, continued to rise and the promised

recovery had not arrived despite all claims to the contrary. The government had no strategy for bringing the recession to an end and not one special initiative to boost investment or to boost trade.

To loud cheers from Labour backbenches, Mr Brown attacked Mr Heseltine's first 100 days as president of the Board of Trade. None of the governmental changes which Mr Heseltine had called for as a backbench MP had materialised now that he was in the government, leaving the new president to "ask not what you can do for the cabinet, ask what the cabinet can

do to you".

Mr Heseltine now had "absolute power over a department which has become absolutely powerless". The tiger of the Conservative party was "once king of the jungle, now just the fireside rug", he

Mr Brown ridiculed the fact that Britain had taken over the EC presidency at a time when it was bottom of European economic and trade league tables. "The prime minister is sitting at the top of every table while Britain, as a result of his policies, sits at the bottom of

every league."

Mr Heseltine accused Mr Brown of "naivety" in assessing Britain's economic problems while Ignoring the world turndown. The need was not to find ways of spending money, but to help the economy become more competitive. He accuse Labour of resisting any moves to make the

economy more competitive. increases in sales of commercial vehicles and cars signailed recovery, and foreign car companies were now examining British production to see how they could improve efficiency, Mr Heseltine said. Foreign business was investing nine times as much in Britain as it was in Germany. Further evidence of Brit-

ain's importance within the EC was that two-thirds of British exports were now di-rected at EC countries.

Environment department chiefs look east

By NICHOLAS WOOD

POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT MICHAEL Howard is considering basing himself, his ministers and their senior civil servants in Docklands as he studies options for the planned move from the environment department's headquarters in central

The department dis-

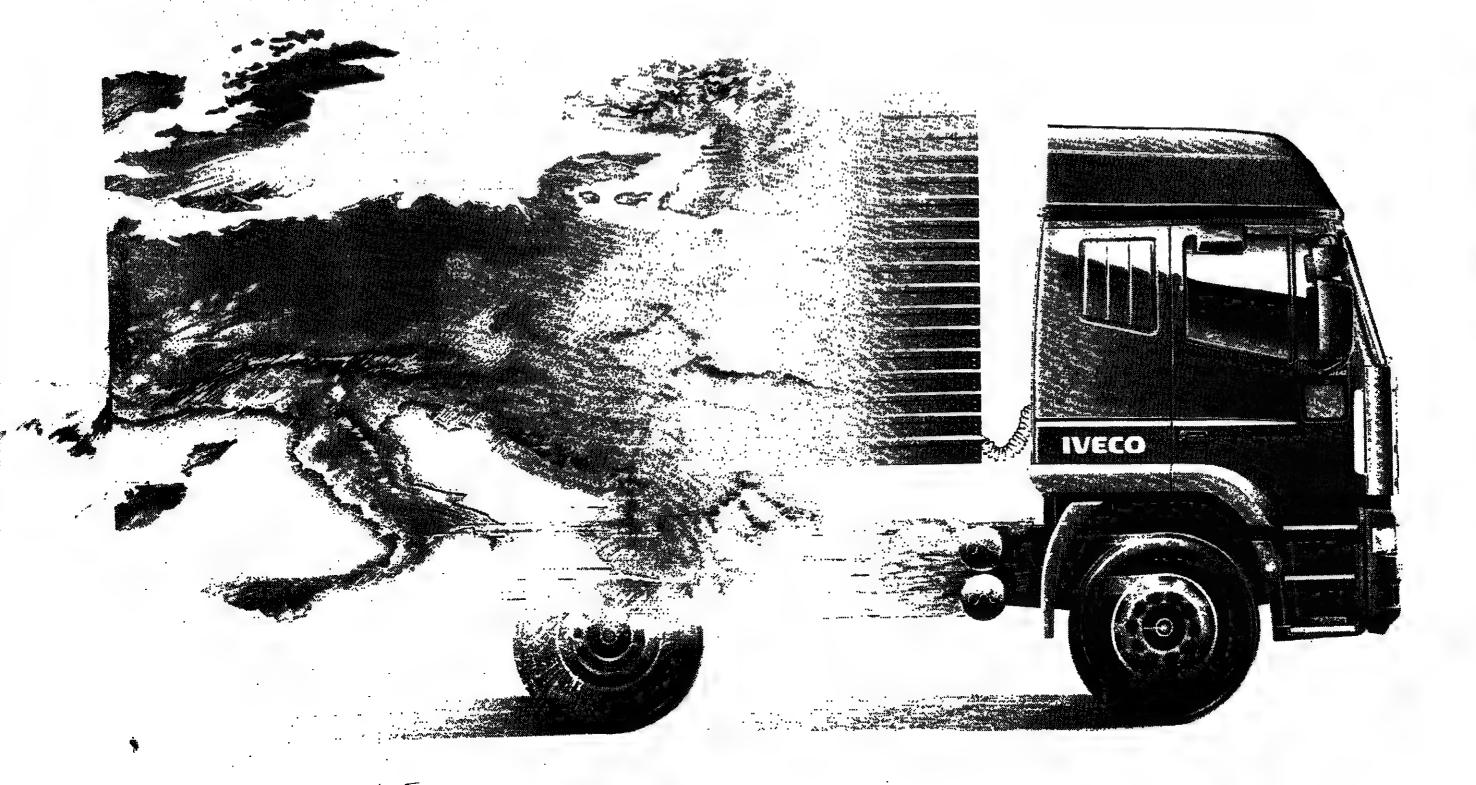
missed as "pure speculation" a report that the environment secretary has decided to make Canary Wharf or one of two other sites in East London the main office for ministers and senior officials.

Sources in the department, however, confirmed that this was one option under consideration as Mr Howard awaits reports tants and estate agents.

The sources said that ministers were examining the example of the Scottish and Welsh Offices, whose ministers have their private offices in Edinburgh and Cardiff and a skeleton staff in London, with some senior officials shuttling between the two centres. If this option is chosen, it

keeping on a Westminster office with a small number of support staff.

The environment department's Marsham Street headquarters are to be demolished and Mr Howard has said he will move around 2,000 of his officials to Docklands. Canary Wharf is a possible



Yeltsin plea for G7 handout veils signs of resilient economy

FROM MARY DEJEVSKY IN MOSCOW

WHEN President Yeltsin addresses the G7 summit tomorrow, he is expected to appeal for a two-year moratorium on Russia's external debt because it cannot at present pay. "Russia has every intention of meeting its obligations," he said at the weekend. "At the moment, however, this is just not

But things may not be as bad as they are painted. Four areas are most frequently cited as evidence of imminent economic disaster: the fall in production, the decline in foreign trade, the rise in inflation, and the shortage of roubles. Yet in none of these areas are things quite what According to government

figures, production has fallen by 13.2 per cent over the first five months of the year compared with the same period last year, and the decline is expected to decrease towards the end of the year to just over 10 per cent. For an economy where heavy industry is in sharp decline, this is far from catastrophic and a long way from doomwatch forecasts of 30 per cent or more.
The fall in production may

even be less than the 13 per cent announced. Now, for the first time, factory directors have an interest in claiming that they are producing less than they are, so allowing some goods to be sold on the side while still providing evidence that massive financial help is needed.

A similar process can be observed in foreign trade. Official figures say imports de-clined over 1991 by 44 per cent and exports by 22 per cent. In the first three months of this year, foreign trade was reported to have come to a rtual standstill.

In fact, these figures are by no means as bad as they might be. The Soviet state was effectively bankrupt by the end of last year. Cutting imports far more than exports is exactly what needed to happen. That exports have now picked up after the cha-otic stalemale of the Russian takeover at the turn of the

year is a good sign. Inflation, forecast by some to reach 1,000 per cent before the end of the year and by most to be already approaching hyperinflation, is another red herring. The figures for herring. The figures for the inflation rate are usually based on consumer prices of retail goods. The compari-sons are between last year, when most goods were officially sold at heavily subsi-dised state prices and this year, when most retail prices have been progressively freed.

money supply has been

curbed, and there is consider-

able evidence to the contrary.

The banks of Russia and

some other republics which

still use the rouble have issued

large rouble credits to cover

and shore up heavy industry.

and several republics have

compounded the problem by

The Russian economy is

certainly in deep trouble. But

the ills that Russian officials

like to present as evidence of

the mismanagement of re-

forms are not what need to be cured. The real maladies de-

rive from the inflationary pal-

issuing their own "roubles".

in German. One protester carried a placard he hoped President Bush would see: "1492-There are also distortions in the figures for the money supply. A common view i 1992: I still don't like you." that the current shortage of But even waving banners was risky. A Munich court rouble notes is a result of galloping inflation coupled recently ruled that these with a tight money supply policy. In one respect, this is could be banned. Police have been raiding rehearsal true: the minting of roubles has lagged behind the transsessions by the efficiently organised anarchists and confiscating baseball bats lation of hidden state subsidies into retail prices, leaving and other weapons.

All this was too much for one MP from Jena in former East Germany. "Is this the type of democracy we are defending in the world?" he asked the government spokesman indignantly. "I am reminded of the old

Oom-pah jollity, Bavarian style,

sweeps aside dissenting voices at the G7 summit, writes Michael Binyon

NEVER has a summit been

organised with such efficient jollity: in Munich the

beer and wine flow freely.

flowers adorn every window

sill, every hotel has been

briefed on the fads and quirks of its distinguished

guests. Never can there have

been such security paranoia:

the entire city centre is ringed off, police guard ev-

ery 100 yards of the motorways, the local burghers have been advised to leave

town, and any demonstrator

so much as whistling at the

approaching motorcades is

pounced on by helmeted police in full riot gear and

hauled away.

Munich is determined. that not a whisper of protest

from the anarchists said to

be streaming into the city shall reach the ears of the

world's leaders. Those fool-

ish enough to start chanting on the Max-Joseph Platz

were subjected to the heavy-

handed attentions of police Valkyries - flaxen-haired

maidens in leather jackets

and visors, truncheons

drawn and ready. Penned

behind barriers in a side

street, they continued inton-

ing defiance of Western cap-

italism: "International

solidarity against centres of

power! Hey, hey hey !" It

ounds somewhat snappier

gether jollier side to the security forces, most of whom were dressed up in lederhosen and feathered hats and stood, knees glistening in the sun, on the steps of the opera house playing national anthems interspersed with the kind of folksy oompah music that makes you instinctively reach for your

frothing stein.

Munich Prosperous spared no expense to make is guests comfortable. Hohave been gutted to make President Bush feel as though he were still in the White House, complete with his own kitchen, a library and a large corner bath. Kiichi Miyazawa can enjoy Japanese food, green tea,

Japanese videos and comely only French mineral water

John Major has been put. appropriately, in a hotel overlooking the English Garden - though the nude moved. His suite has been tactfully decorated in Laura

Fun, by order, reigns in Fortress Munich

Helmut Kohl has billeted himself in the Vier Jahreszeiten hotel, where orders have gone to the kitchen to prepare his favourite dish: a concoction of cow's intestines called Saumagen.

carriage rides to Neu-

schwanstein, the mad King

cue from the French, yester-

day marched on the capital

west highway from Warsaw

Police have deployed water

cannon and riot squads at all

the main entrances to the

capital and have threatened

to use force if any of the main

arteries are blockaded. The

Polish government - still led

by the farmer-politician Wal-

demar Pawlak, despite a

backroom manoeuvre to dis-

place him - sees the protest

as a test of strength. The

authorities are determined to

show that the months of polit-

ical upheaval in Poland have

The protests are led by a

group called "Self-Defence",

which represents farmers

threatened with eviction for

not paying off their debts. All

farmers have to borrow mon-

ey until the harvest is gathered and the crop sold. But to

keep inflation down and hon-

our its promises to the Inter-

national Monetary Fund, the

Polish authorities have been

charging high interest rates. That has left some 10,000

farms close to bankruptcy

and the bailiffs have been

Self-Defence has been

organising flying squads of

farmers - known as Peasants

Battalions after former anti-

Nazi partisan units - to pre-

vent bailiffs auctioning off

farms. The agriculture minis-

try says Self-Defence is com-

prised mainly of inefficient

moving in.

not weakened the state.

to Berlin.

blocked the main east-

Ludwig's fantasy castle, a session of Carmen at the opera house, excursions to lakes and baroque churches. Unfortunately the timetable is more suited to hearty German tourists; and one local paper reported in banner

roast ox by the ton, noisy displays of folk dancing and briefings by the dozen. But the fun is hardly spontaneous. "Fortress Mu-

summits, beer, sausage and

nich", as the local papers are calling the city, can hardly wait for the guests and police to leave. Many of the green uniformed police, nowever, will be sorry to go: they have been drafted in from eastern Germany, and seem too dazed by window displays dripping with diamonds and furs to know an anarchist from a law-abid-

to ease monetary policy with-

out producing hyperinflation. The eight Solidarity-rooted parties, who have been trying

to put together an alternative

to Mr Pawlak, have not been

able to soive this riddle. All

are committed to market re-

form but they disagree on

They do, however, agree

that their candidate for prime

minister is Hanna Suchocka,

a 46-year-old constitutional

lawyer. Although they were

stampeded into the choice -President Walesa was threat-

ening to name his own care-

taker prime minister and cabiner - Mrs Suchocka has

She wants the abortion

laws tightened up (a plus

point for the dericalist-na-

tionalist parties), sympathises

essential details.

broad appeal.

CIS agrees on force to keep peace

FROM REUTER

LEADERS of the Commonwealth of Independent States agreed at a summit yesterday to create a joint peacekeeping force to help quell ethnic con-flicts in the former Soviet

President Yeltsin told a news conference that the force would be sent first into Moldavia, where hundreds have died in battles between Russian-speaking separatists and government forces.

The foreign ministers and defence ministers will meet and work out mechanisms to create joint peacekeeping forces," Mr Yeltsin said after the one-day summit. He made clear the troops would be sent into Moldavia only if the republic's parliament issued a formal appeal for help, but said that President Snegur had assured him that the parliament — which meets today — would do so.

President Akayev of Kirghizia, who chaired the summit, said the foreign and defence ministers would "work out principles and ways to neutralise conflicts which are flaring up" elsewhere in the 11nation commonwealth. "This shows the commonwealth is not only still alive but has started to act effectively to solve the most vital questions facing [us]," he said.

Mr Yeltsin also said that other commonwealth leaders had authorised him to ask for several years' deferral of interest and principal repayments on the foreign debt of the former Soviet Union. He added that some participants in the commonwealth summit "thought that such debts should be forgiven altogether because we [the commonwealth states had had little to do with that debt".



Tokyo links aid to isle handover

tice, which every country val-ues so much, and Japan is no volves Japan's northern terri-

aid package for Russia. He complained that with the collapse of the Iron Curtain, justice had been done in Europe to end the colonialism of Stalin but that nothing had been done to give similar justice to Japan. Why do the same principles not apply?"



BEFORE the G7 summit got under way, the Japanese ex-plained why they would not be able to support the aid package for Russia, which Germany would like to see rubber-stamped at the

he asked.
"We would like to welcome Russia to come out as a great constructive world power, playing a constructive role. But we have to have a normalised political relationship between our two



FROM IAN MURRAY IN MUNICH

meeting.
"It is all a question of jusan acute cash shortage. That does not automatically mean, however, that the

exception." a foreign ministry official said. The "justice" intories, the four islands occupied and kept by Russia at the end of the second world war. There is still no peace treaty between the two countries in consequence. The official made clear that until this was signed there was no chance of his country contributing to, or supporting, an

liatives, unjustified pay rises, and soaring credits that have been applied to an economy that requires a fundamental restructuring that has not

even started.

Anatole Kaletsky, page 16 Leading article, page 17

High security: a summit guard, with the cathedral towering above him, keeping watch in Munich yesterday

Japanese-speaking telephonists. Antique Venetian furniture has been hauled out of the storeroom to decorate the suite for Giuliano Amato, the Italian prime minister. President Mitterrand has laid down a "no alcohol" rule, and will take

- flat and without ice - and displays of fruit in silver sunbathers have been reAshley designs.

The hosts have also put together the traditional programme for summit wives. ntended to emphasise their feminine interest in good works and total lack of interest in politics. There are

headlines: "Summit stress for first ladies: wake-up call at 6.00" subject to relentless German. hospitality: presentation hold-all bags that weigh over a stone with books on investment in eastern Ger-

The press has also been many and the collected communiques of all 17 former

ing citizen.

Sniper learns to forget victims

JAVOR stroked the grey barrel of his Draganov sniper's rifle and admitted he could no longer remember how many men he had shot since the battle for Sarajevo began three months ago.
"When I wake up in the

morning. I think I have had a bad dream. I can hardly believe what I am doing. said the tall and pale Muslim fighter, who before the war was a computer operator in the Bosnian capital. Javor put down his Soviet-made rifle carefully and displayed another trophy - a Skorpion machine pistol. "This weapon is ideal for close work. It will cut a man in half. I have seen it many times," he said.

Javor's unit is based at a battered, dingy hotel in old Sarajevo, overlooked by Serb positions on a hillside. The building, in a narrow alley near the site of the breadline monar bombing which left 26 dead, is pockmarked with

bullet holes. Introducing a group of his comrades, he described how they had all become casehardened to killing. "When I first got someone in my sights, I was trembling. We all went through that. I squeezed the trigger, and he went over. Not a chance of survival - a clear shot from 500 metres. After the first

one, it just gets easier." The sniper learnt the rudiments of his trade after taking up small-bore rifle shooting as a teenager. "I was a good shot as a boy, but hitting targets for a prize and killing men in war are two different

As Serb mortars opened up on the hotel once more, Javor, apparently unconcerned by Bill Frost in Sarajevo meets a Bosnian Muslim computer operator who has turned into a hardened gunman

the barrage, told how once he had killed a fellow Muslim by mistake. "We were deployed near the Jewish cemetery. close to enemy positions. Suddenly two men came running

through the graveyard. I opened up and hit one." The sniper later discovered that the man and his son were Muslim hostages who had been pushed into the line of fire by their captors. "It is a war crime even by the standards of this dirty battle, but they play Russian roulette ev-

ery day here." Javor said.

Aris, the sniper's commanding officer, lay back on a battered black plastic sofa and stretched out his wounded leg. "My men must be invisible. They move quietly

blocks and other vantage points. Then they wait." He added: "Parience is everything for a sniper."

The hotel loyer suddenly filled with fighters from Dobrinja, a suburb close to the airport which has seen some of the fiercest fighting. Special forces troops swapped horror stories in the dining room before returning to the front line. Unshaven, coldeyed and deathly pale, the militiamen fight, eat, sleep for a couple of hours, and then fight once more. Fallen comrades are replaced and

In the alley outside, fire from Serb positions echoed

off the high-sided buildings. Dashing and weaving as we made for cover, I tripped on debris in the road and fell. tearing a muscle in my right leg. A colleague helped me to ifety as bullets hit the hotel front behind us. We hobbled

back to the car as the attack intensified. A Citroen van bearing Red Cross flags screamed by and came under fire at a deserted junction. Further down the road there was more sniping. We heard just hours later that Javor had been wounded; a bullet had smashed into his face, destroying much of his

lower jaw.
Relief flights continued there were 14 yesterday - but distribution of aid on the streets is painfully slow. Meanwhile, the people of Sarajevo huddle in dark basements with no water, no electricity for much of the time, and precious little food.

Belgrade seeks Helsinki reprieve

FROM OLLI KIVINEN IN HELSINKI

The Yugoslav government has continued its fight to avoid expulsion from the Helsinki process by requesting another 100 days to show that real change is taking place in Belgrade.

A letter from Milan Panic, the new Yugoslav prime minister, caught Helsinki civil servants by surprise and their final draft of the document, which is to be adopted on Friday by the 51 nations of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, is not

Yugoslav leaders said earlier that they would not attend the summit. John Komblum, the American ambassador, said that the US delegation's policy was still to expel Yugoslavia. Darko Bekic, the Croatian ambassador, also rejected Belgrade's proposals. But the Russian delegation is still insisting that Yugoslavia must remain in the

Mr Panic's letter said: "I have just accepted the mandate to form a new government of Yugoslavia.

which I assure you will energetically pursue the course of peace in Bosnia and Croatia. I need your help, not another obstacle in my path before I have been given a chance to undertake this difficult He promised "to do

everything in his power" to stop the fighting, and also said that within a week he would form a government of specialists to take power from the Serbian and Moncall new elections.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Norwegians harpoon minke whale

Oslo: Norwegian whalers, preparing to resume commercial catches in 1993, said yesterday they had harpooned a female minke whale, their first whale in two years, under a government-

sponsored research project. "The whale died instantly when the harpoon grenade hit its head," said Gunleif Olsen, captain of the Ann Brita, one of six whaling ships which set out from northern Norway on Friday at the start of a programme to catch 110 whales in 1992. (Reuter)

Pilots killed

Bucharest: Two Romanian air force pilots were killed when their Soviet-built MiG29 crashed on a training flight near Constanta, 160 miles east of here, the state Rompres news agency reported. (Reuter)

Vichy charges

Paris: René Bousquet and Maurice Papon, police officials under France's wartime Vichy regime, have been charged in connection with the deportation of Jews to Nazi death camps, the maga-zine Le Point said. (AP)

Finns come top Wellington: Finnish children got the best marks in a 32nation survey of reading skills, conducted by the International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement . (AFP)

Debt-ridden farmers block roads in siege of Warsaw FROM ROGER BOYES IN WARSAW THOUSANDS of protesting of the chief problems facing Polish farmers, taking their the Polish government: how



Suchocka: wants social welfare programme

farmers and that many have been squandering their credits on luxury goods or on new

The farmers are now marching from five directions towards Warsaw, using long convoys of slow-moving tractors, lornes and combine harvesters. They threaten to snar! up the capital and force negotiations with the government or, if barred access to Warsaw, to block all roads to the city. The first blockade yesterday was in Oltarzew, a village between Poznan and Warsaw and a key point on the main road to Germany. Tractors and container lorries have completely obstructed the road there and the farmers are said to be aggressive. Their banners call on workers, especially industrial lorry, drivers, to join the protest.

Police have been directing

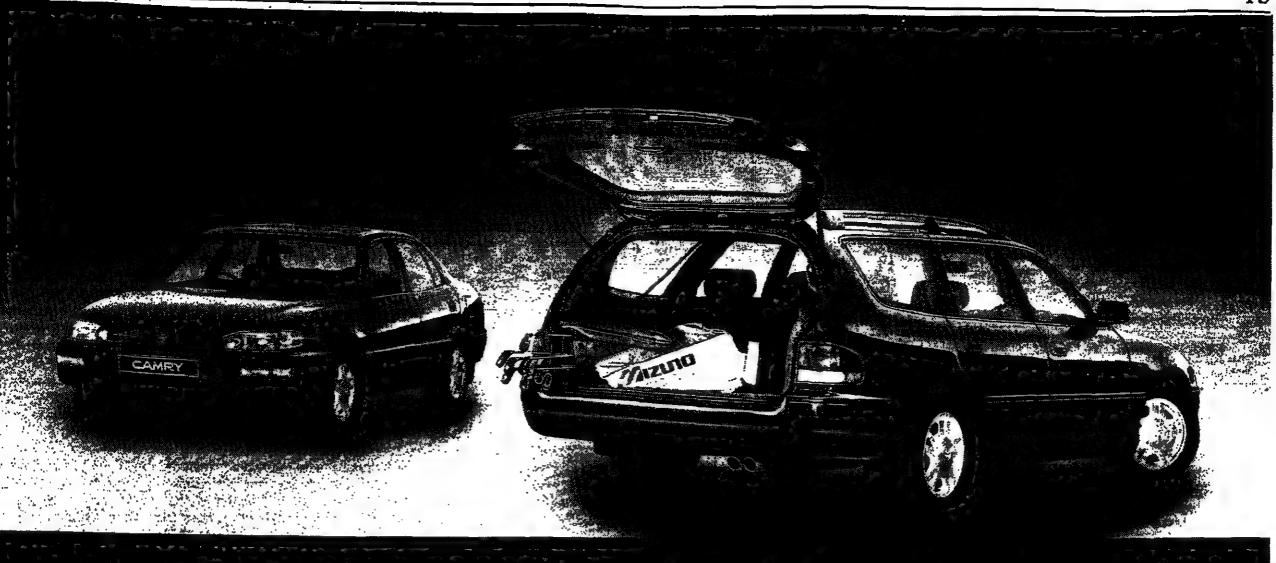
traffic down side roads...; The protest highlights one

with market reform but is also keen on working out a social welfare programme. Unlike Mr Pawlak, she does not have to pander to a special interest group - the farmers - and she does have some Solidarity credentials.

President Walesa said yesterday that he would consider favourably Mrs Suchocka's. candidacy if she presented a cabinet list quickly and War catraordinary session of parliament gave its appropria. The party batance of the Cata net is, however, still the main

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Munich.



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Britain and China clash over airport for Hong Kong

king said yesterday that he would be leaving empty-handed after talks with Chinese officials on Hong

Kong's new airport failed. Asked whether he had achieved what he had come to Peking for, Sir John Coles, deputy under-secretary of state at the Foreign Office, said: "No, I would have to say that I did not." Sir John's mission was a last-ditch ef-fort to defuse the dispute over the airport before the arrival in Hong Kong of the new governor, Chris Patten, on Thursday. With the failure of these talks, Mr Patten walks into a minefield of financial and political intrigue. Sir John took an unusually

confrontational stand yester-day, accusing the Chinese side of raising "a large num-ber of problems" at the talks. He said he had warned Chinese officials that, unless the financing of the airport was approved by the end of July, Peking would suffer the extra costs caused by delays in the long run. "Inevitably there will be a longer delays with increased costs and possibly increased costs sibly increased burdens for the future government of the SAR [Special Administrative Region, Hong Kong's title after 1997, when Peking takes control]."

Analysis speculated that Sir John's deadline for Peking might be typical of a A deadline set by London for Peking to approve a finance package may typify a tougher policy under Chris Patten, Catherine Sampson writes

policy under Mr Patten. Sir John's visit was the result of an agreement reached in Brazil in June by Mr Major and Li Peng, the Chinese prime minister, to hold highlevel talks.
The multimillion-dollar

airport project, which straddles 1997, has become the focus of mutual recriminations. China's go-ahead is needed in order to auracr investors, but Peking accuses the British side of conspiring

was the target.

to bleed the colony dry of funds before the takeover. In public. British officials attempt to reassure Peking of the fiscal health of Hong Kong. In private, however, the same officials accuse China of withholding its approval for the airport in order to force Britain to limit democracy in Hong Kong. In exchange for their goahead on the airport, Peking is believed to be seeking an assurance from Mr Patten

that members of the United Democrats of Hong Kong. who won a sweeping victory in the colony's first direct elections, will not be appointed to the policy-making Ex-ecutive Council. The fact that the talks ended in deadlock suggests that Mr Pattern is not prepared to give any such assurance.

Mr Patten was appointed by Mr Major, and the prime minister is believed to be annoyed that he was per-suaded to visit Peking last year on the understanding that China would drop its objections to the airport expenses. Mr Major's visit was a considerable boost for Pecold-shouldering China



After the talks ended yesterday, the two sides gave different versions of what had occurred. Sir John Coles said he had put forward a proposal to ease Peking's fears about the cost of the airport, but that China had failed to respond. Chen Zuoer, a director of Peking's Hong Kong and Macau Affairs Office, said Britain had not made any such proposal, and that it was "unfair" of Sir John to suggest he had. It was the Chinese side, said Mr Chen, which had made a "positive and concrete proposal".

Mr Chen said that Peking was representing the people of Hong Kong by objecting to the costs of the airport, saying: "At the moment the Chinese side has no way of endorsing the financing arrangements, because we and all walks of life in Hong Kong society have doubts about it". Peking has repeatedly claimed to be representing the Hong Kong people, much to the chagrin of the

ment, which in name at least rules the territory for the next five years.

古母母 美国

Trial ahead: Bao Tong, the private secretary of Zhao Ziyang, who was ousted as leader of the Chinese Communist Party in 1989, is to be put on trial in Peking next week, according to his family. He will be the highest-ranking official to be tried in connection with the pro-democracy unrest in 1989.

Mr Bao has been in prison for three years while the con-servative faction of the leadership has tried to gather enough evidence to prose-cute him. Now Mr Bao has been charged with leaking state secrets.

Iraq opposition accuses Saddam

Mitterrand's wife escapes car bomb

By MICHAEL THEODOULOU IN NICOSIA AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

DANIELLE Mitterrand, the flamboyant wife of the French president, narrowly escaped death in a car bomb attack in the Kurdish area of northern Iraq yesterday which killed four people and wounded 15 others.

For Bernard Kouchner, the French health minister travelling with her, it was the second brush with death in eight days. He came under fire last week when he accompanied President Mitterrand on his daring mission to the Bosnian capital, Sarajevo.

No one claimed responsibility for yesterday's attack, and United Nations officials in the Kurdish zone said they could not confirm that France's first lady, 67, was the target. Iraqi opposition groups blamed President Saddam Hussein, whose state-run media attacked Mme Mitterrand's three-day humanitarian visit to the Kurds as "foolish behaviour and a rude violation of Iraq's dignity and sovereignty".

Witnesses said a Toyota Land Cruiser bearing UN markings exploded in a fireball as the last vehicle in Mme Mitterrand's six-car motorcade passed a checkpoint on the outskirts of the Kurdishheld town of Sulaymaniyah.

The British businessman,

Richard Branson, has joined

the billionaire list for the first

time, according to the Ameri-

can Forbes magazine. Mr Branson sold his Virgin

record label to Thorn EMI in

March, and Forbes says he is

The world's two richest in-

dividuals are Japanese: Tai-

kichiro Mori, an 88-year-old

property tycoon, overcame falling property prices to re-

main the world's richest Indi-

vidual with a personal fortune

of \$13 billion; railway and

golf course tycoon Yoshiaki Tsutsumi, 58, has a \$10 bil-

Jean-Christophe Mitterrand, elder son of President Mitter-

rand of France and his spe-

cial adviser on African affairs.

has been dropped from his

father's staff. No reason was

given for the departure of

Jean-Christophe, 46, a for-

mer journalist known to col-leagues as "Papamadit"

Former Philippines first lady

Imelda Marcos has agreed in

principle to surrender part of

her husband's fortune, if

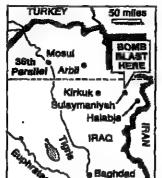
court cases against her family

are dropped, said Magtang-

(Daddy-told-me).

lion fortune.

worth about \$1.2 billion.



Three Kurdish guerrilles acting as special security guards for her were killed, along with a Kurdish boy, 10, according to a statement from the Iraq National Congress, a coali-

tion of opposition groups.

The congress statement said Mine Milterrand and M Kouchner continued their journey to the devastated town of Halabja, where Saddam's forces gassed 5,000 Kurds in 1988. Mme Mitterrand, a champion of Kurdish causes and head of the humanitarian action group. France-Libertés, arrived in northern Iraq on Saturday to study the needs of Kurds displaced by Saddam's

army after the the Gulf war. Dr Ahmad Chalabi, of the

to recover the allegedly ill-

Church has named Patriarch

Paulos Gebre-Yohannes, 57,

to head the ancient and inde-

pendent church. He has lived

in the United States for the

churches in the Washington,

DC area. He replaces Patri-

arch Mekerios, who was ac-

cused of spending church

President Mengistu's war against northern rebels.

King Juan Carles and Queen

Sofia of Spain visited Brit-

ain's £24 million pavilion at

the Expo world fair in Seville

yesterday against the advice of El País. Spain's leading

newspaper, which says the British pavilion is "a lot of

shell but hardly any nut".

gotten wealth.

convention.

Her trip, as previous ones, was controversial: in 1987, her then newly created humanitarian group caused a Iraqi National Congress, furore in South Africa by sponsoring an unprecedented seminar bringing together white liberals and members of the then outlawed African Branson joins the National Congress. She refused to accompany her husband on a visit to Morocco, billionaire set one of France's closest allies, on the ground that the North African state had imprisoned people for political reasons. gol Gunigundo, the new head of a government panel trying in 1989 she gave evidence to

> on the plight of the Kurds. The apparent assassination attempt overshadowed Iraq's The New York governor, latest stand-off with a team of Mario Cuomo, has agreed UN weapons inspectors formally to nominate Biff which spent the night Clinton for president at next camped outside the agriculweek's Democratic national ture ministry in Baghdad. The Iraqi authorities on Sunday barred the 16-member team of chemical weapons The Ethiopian Orthodox

the United States Senate's

foreign relations committee

experts from the building. Yesterday the UN inspec tors said they saw officials leaving the building with briefcases and were clearly suspicious these contained past 16 years and headed one documents related to weapof three Ethiopian Orthodox ons programmes. In New York last night the security council was planning to repri-mand Iraq for preventing its inspectors from entering the money to support former agriculture ministry building. Baghdad insists that the building has nothing to do

with any armaments Last night President Mitterrand spoke to his wife by telephone from the Munich summit. A spokesman said France would await further information before drawing conclusions about the cause



Target figure: Danielle Mitterrand, wife of President Mitterrand of France, who escaped unhurt from a carbomb attack in northern Iraq in which four people died yesterday. Nobody has claimed responsibility

Arabs get life for bombing

FROM CHRIS ELIOU IN ATHENS

TWO Palestinians alleged to be members of the fundamentalist Islamic Jihad group, who tried to blow up the British consulate in Patras during the Gulf war, were sentenced to life imprisonment by an Athens court

vesterday. Seven people were killed in the blast in the western Greek port when a 25lb home-made bomb exploded in the hands of another Palestinian as he was carrying it to the consulate, blowing him to pieces. The court sentenced Ibra-Abul-Nobani, 27. described

as leading members of the Jihad group, to life imprison-ment after finding them responsible for the explosion and complicity in murder. The court also found four Palestinians guilty of carry-ing arms and explosives.

Ozal-Demirel cohabitation shows signs of breakdown

FROM ANDREW FINKEL IN ISTANBUL

COHABITATION, Turkishstyle, is becoming increasingy fraught with the political haison between President Ozal and his prime minister, Sulcyman Demirel, exhibiting dangerous signs of strain.

The feud may develop into a constitutional battle, according to trusted ministers who have threatened a campaign to depose the president when parliament returns from its summer recess.

Relations between the two men have been tense ever since Mr Ozal, once a protégé, joined the martial law povernment which overthrew Mr Demirel In 1980. They reached their present low, however, after the president stormed out of an 11-nation summit in Istanbul complaining that he was being squeezed out of the signing ceremony for Black Sea economic co-operation that he had initiated.

The Demirel camp re-

sponded by having photographs of Mr Ozal, smiling broadly and dressed in full evening regalia, removed from the VIP lounges of Turkish airports. Other officlal offices are reported to be following the example.

Mr Demirel is reported to have commissioned a private survey which reports on the president's popularity to find out how far he can push his vendetta. He will take some comfort from a weekend poll in the mass circulation Hurriyet newspaper, in

which 59 per cent thought Mr Ozal should leave his job. While in opposition, Mr Dermirel refused to accept the Ozal presidency, arguing that the parliament which took the vote in 1989 to elevate him from prime minister

had lost its popular mandate. But Mr Dermirel failed to win an absolute majority in that election, and the coalition government is far short of the two-thirds majority which would allow it to bring Mr Ozal down. So Mr Demirel has little option but to cohabit with his rival.

Relations since the election have been formal but correct. In the meantime, however, Mr Ozal's own political base has shrunk and he no longer enjoys the unquestioned support from the Motherland party he once headed. His wife Semra recently resigned as head of the Istanbul branch.

There is also speculation over the president's health tion. Mr Ozal is the known quantity in Western capitals, many of which gave quiet support to the Turkish military regime between 1980 and 1983. The Demirel government has continued most of Mr Ozal's foreign policy, however, and not moved towards the isolation that some Western envoys had feared.

Left wins Nigerian

Lagos: The centre-left Social Democratic Party has won the federal Nigerian elec-tions, the first after a decade of military rule and the most peaceful in memory (Eliza-

elections

beth Obadina writes). With only a few results still to be collated from remote corners of Africa's most populous country, the party has. won 305 seats to give it a clear majority in the 589member House of Represenpatives. The National Republican Convention, its centreright opponent, won 260 seats but with results in some of its strongest areas still to come. In the 91-member Senate, the Social Democrats won 44 sears and the Republicans 32, according to a tally

of results yesterday. The Social Democrats have regained the political majority in two key cities, Lagos. Nigeria's commercial capital. and Kane, the ancient com-mercial capital of the north.

Swap offered

London: South Korea is to offer North Korea a swap of detainees in an effort to rescue peacemaking moves after a dispute over the North's. nuclear programme. Seoul wants to return a journalist who was jailed for 34 years as a suspected communist.

Jewish warning 4

Brusels: Edgar Broniman of the World Jewish Congress, which is holding a conference here, warned leaders of a rise: in anti-Semitism. Those attending include the Rev Jesse Jackson, President Kravchuk of Ukraine, and President Goncz of Hungary.

Timorese jailed

Jakarta: An Indonesian court jailed an East Timorese civil servant for ten years for allegedly planning a march last November in Dili, the capital of East Timor, which ended in between 50 and 180 people being shot dead by the army. (Reuter)

Sea worthy

Key Largo, Florida: Richard Presley, 33, a Nasa aqua-naut, broke an undersea endurance record after spending 60 days in a submerged scuba divers' lodge as part of an experiment on conditions astronauts would face during long space missions. (AP)

Tunnel planned

Mendoza: Argentine and Chilean officials are to meet this week to discuss linking their countries through a 15mile tunnel under the Andes. The tunnel would emerge at Juncal, northeast of Santiago, and cost an estimated £63 million. (AFP)

Curves return

Mexico City: A 10,000strong crowd welcomed the return of a nude sculpture of a voluptuous woman, "Diana the Hunter", to a roundabout on the grand avenue. It had been removed 15 years ago by the Mexican National League of Decency. (Reuter)

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Tokyo doles out apology but no cash to wartime 'comfort women' viving comfort women have

THE Japanese government has finally yielded to the historical evidence and admitted that thousands of Korean, Philippines and Chinese women, some little more than children, were recruited as prostitutes by the imperial army during the second world war.

But, in spite of evidence to the contrary, the govern-ment denies that the women were press-ganged and will pay them no compensation. Neighbouring countries have reacted critically to what they feel is an imadequate response to a running sore in relations with Japan. We have found docu-

ments to prove that the gov-ernment was involved in the

so-called comfort women,"

Koichi Kato, the Japanese "But so far we have found no document to show that those women were recruited

This last statement contradicts the harrowing eyewitness accounts of force being used against the fort women". Former soldiers have wept on television while recounting the tortures suffered by the

Despite much testimony in recent months, Mr Kato said that the government had no intention of taking evidence from individual volves the problem of privacy". But he said that investigators would continJapan has admitted its wartime army recruited thousands of Asian women prostitutes, David Watts writes

ue to search for evidence of force having been used. Reaction from other Asian countries was nega-tive. "Our tentative examiby the Japanese authorities ... indicates that their investigations have not brought the whole truth to light, the South Korean

foreign ministry said in a statement. "We hope and

expect the Japanese govern-

ment will continue ... efforts to fully determine

the facts of the case."

asked Japan to apologise to Taiwanese women forced to become comfort women. "We hope the Japanese au-thorities would look at the issue without distortion ... and they should apologise and express concern to the former comfort women over their misfortune," he said. Despite an apology from Mr Kato and a promise of "certain measures" in place of compensation — the Japanese government contends

Fredrick Chen, the Tai-

wanese foreign minister,

pensation issues were set-tled in 1965 — the issue seems unlikely to die down. It resurfaced last December when Korean comfort women finally came forward to testify about their illtreatment and demand re-dress before Japanese courts. They emphasised that they had been forced to work as sex slaves.

Until yesterday, if the sub-ject of battlefield brothels came up, postwar Japanese governments had always inisted that these were run by private contractors and the state bore no responsibility. Then in January, almost on the eve of the official visit to Seoul by Kiichi Miyazawa, the prime

minister, a Japanese profesdocumentary proof that the army itself recruited the women and set up and ran the brothels. Yoshiaki Yoshimi, of Chuo University, said the find was a 1938 military command document, signed by the chief of staff of the Japanese North China Army, saying that all battal-ions must set up "comfort

After that a telephone hotline set up to take calls from former imperial army troops received more than 230 accounts of the military prostitution system. Most spoke of brutal conditions under which the women were kept. Since then, an increasing number of sur-

agreed to make their experiences public. One woman told the North Korean news agency she was forced to "service" 35 to 40 soldiers a day, followed by five or six officers each night.

Another survivor said one woman who refused to obey orders was tied by he hands, feet and neck to five

vhipped and bolted in different directions. ● Tokyo: More than 20 Japanese MPs bave asked a Tokyo district court to ban the dispatch of Japanese sol-diers abroad, authorised under a new law that allows the military to take part in United Nations peaceke ing operations. (AFP)

Prison riot quelled by tear gas

FROM BEN MACINTYRE

AT LEAST one man was stabbed to death and dozens injured in a riot at a maximum-security prison in Kansas early yesterday. The trouble was brought under control after more than 100 prison guards moved in with tear gas and batons. There were unconfirmed reports of other deaths.

Isolated fights in the auditorium at Leavenworth prison, Kansas, on Sunday night erupted into a full-scale uprising in which at least 300 inmates took over the auditorium, cafeteria and recreation yard. One guard had to be rescued by a fire truck which lowered a safety basket into the prison compound.
It took nearly five hours to

guell the riot and prison officers said they did not know how the original fights started. "It continued rather sporadically and spread to involve a couple of hundred inmates," a prison spokesman said." No prison staff were reported hurt. Leavenworth is one of the top security prisons in America, with more than

Judge clears Pretoria of mass killings

FROM MICHAEL HAMLYN IN JOHANNESBURG

WITH one hand Richard and after the signing of the Goldstone delivers a blow to the enemies of President de Klerk; with the other he batters the government by accusing it of ignoring his

Mr Justice Goldstone chairs a commission enquiring into the killings that are ravaging parts of South Africa; 27 people died in political violence over the weekend. Yesterday he announced that a committee of his commission would be charged with looking into the Boipatong mass killings. It would sit from August 4 and P.N. Bhagwati, former chief justice of India would sit as an assessor.

In a separate statement Mr Justice Goldstone exonerated. from any direct complicity in or planning of current vioence not only Mr de Klerk personally, but also "any member of the cabinet, or any highly placed officer in the South African police or de-fence force. He said such allegations, in the absence of such evidence, were "unwise, unfair and dangerous".

They are dangerous," he said, "because they are likely to exacerbate the climate of violence and frustrate and retard attempts to curb violence".

These words will be music to the ears of the government



De Klerk: accused of not following advice

which has been complaining bitterly about the accusations ship violence coming from the leaders of the African National Congress. There is a accusations will prevent the ANC from resuming negotiations with the de Klerk government, and destroy the possibility of settling the country's constitutional future by

The Goldstone commission was set up by the government last year to look at the violence,

peace accord between the quarrelling political groups became the most effective arm Mr Justice Goldstone said yesterday that there was no point in his producing reports if his recommendations were simply ignored by the authori-ties. He cited the deployment of 32 Battalion (which is made up of Portuguese-speaking black soldiers from Angola). who created mayhem in Phola Park, a squatter camp southeast of Johannesburg. The commission said that they should be withdrawn and not used in peacekeeping operations. That recommendation received "what can generously be described as an unhelpful response from a senior member of the South African Defence Force", according to the judge. Lieutenant General George Meiring, the army

IN GUAYAOUIL ECUADOR

THE decisive victory of the

veteran right-winger, Sixto Durán Ballén, in Sunday's presidential elections signals

the first step in Ecuador's

merch towards the neo-liberal

economic orthodoxies current-

Latin America.

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Conservative party.

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Under the outgoing presi-

dency of Dr Rodrigo Borja, of the Democratic Left party.

Ecuador was widely perceived

as going backwards economi-

cally, with just over 1 per cent growth in its GDP, up to 70

per cent under-employment,

endemic corruption and sti-

Señor Durán, 70, of the United Republican party, who beat his Social Christian rival,

Jaime Nebot Saadi, by some

600,000 votes in Sunday's

poll, has promised an attack on corruption, drastic reduc-

tions in bureaucracy, and pri-

vatisation. His first task will be

to tackle inflation, running at

The most important figure

in the new administration,

which takes power in a month,

may well be the new vice-president, Alberto Dahik. an

economist and leader of the

The commission by no means expects that recommendations made by it should necessarily be accepted or implemented," the judge said. they will not be ignored ... If retain such national and international credibility as it may have earned. To ignore its ecommendations can only be calculated to diminish, if not destroy, the credibility and effectiveness not only of the commission but also of the government."

chief, simply said he would not

withdraw them.

tance of many black victims of violence to co-operate with the police, the judge pointed out that the government should understand the anger and frustration of many South Africans, Whether or not groups of former Koefoet employed by the South African police are involved in incidents of violence," he said, the infamous reputation of Koefoet is such that the very South Africa in 1992 is calculated to cause yet further

In considering the reluc-

The Koeloet ("Crowbar") group of police auxiliaries was established in Namibia to help hold down the Ovambo uprising and restrain the Angolans. Evidence was given to the Goldstone commission last week that a Koefoet unit was based at a coal mine on the East Rand, and that they may be linked with the Bospatong

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NEW YORK NOTEBOOK by Ben Macintyre

Lolita is lined up for film bonanza

Perhaps Americans are no more obsessed with the seamier side of life than anyone else, but they are clearly better at. The old adage that if you

are planning to be kid-napped, raped or commit complicated murder, then tell your agent first, is being amply illustrated by the case of a Long Island teenage girl awaiting trial for attempted murder, who may shortly find her \$2 million (£1.04 million) bail money has been posted by Hollywood. The saga of Amy Fisher.

17, began as a run-of-themill story of sex and violence. Last May she shot and critically wounded the wife of her lover. Joey Buttafuoco, a Long Island mechanic. After playing with the story for a few days, but apparently unable to decide which film the case more closely resembled, Basic Instincts or Fatal Attraction, New York's tabloid press seemed ready to move on to the next drama.

Then came revelations that Miss Fisher was allegedly a schoolgirl prostitute, using an electronic pager to maintain contact with clients when she was in class. There followed counter-claims that Mr Buttafuoco acted as her pimp and, finally, a grainy video, shown on one television channel and promptly pirated by another, which purported to show Miss Fisher performing her extra-curricular activities.

Immediately Miss Fisher became "The Long Island Lolita" and various gling for exclusive rights to tell her tale. Eric Naiburg, her lawyer, says that he has at least ten news and film companies

bidding to pay her bail of \$2 million. The first of several books on the case, Lethal Lolita: a true story of sex. scandal and deadly obsession, will be published shortly, and Mr Naiburg is confident that he wil get Miss Fisher out of jail in time for her high-school

graduation prom. The lawyer for the Buttafuocos, who iromediately observed that Miss Fisher had been transformed from a "\$180-anight prostitute to a \$2million prostitute", has made it clear that if she gets anything for her story his clients want a share.

New York state's sen-ate recently passed a revised "Son of Sam" law. named after the serial killer who styled himself thus, enabling victims of crime to claim a portion of a criminal's profits. The original law, passed in 1977, prevented all criminals from profiting from their crimes but was overturned by the US Supreme

Court last December. Films are not the only profitable sidelines for entrepreneurial crooks or those eager to capitalise on America's obsession with them. Art collectors pay large sums for paintings by mass murderers. and criminals let out of jail can look forward to profitable lecture tours and regular appearances on

A summit for dunces

G7 is a waste of money. writes Anatole Kaletsky

Summits of the Group of Seven have only one function. apart from entertaining the world's press corps and offering a culinary showcase for the host nation. They reassure the world's political leaders that they are not alone. All are harangued by businessmen to cut interest rates and stimulate their economies. All are threatened by political traitors, often from within their own parties, and with the exception of Mr Major, all face the possibility of electoral defeat before long. To compare notes and share experiences with others similarly afflicted, in the style of Alcoholics Anonymous, must be a great relief. After a G7 summit, how much easier it must be for a world leader to look in the mirror

every morning when he shaves.

Unfortunately, the therapy provided by the G7 experience comes at a high price. Not the mere millions wasted on entertaining the leaders. officials and courtiers, but the cost of the wrongheaded economic policies that seem to be mutually reinforced in the G7 countries whenever their leaders or finance ministers meet. The true price of the G7 jamborees should be measured in millions of jobs and hundreds of billions of pounds and dollars. However grotesque the mismanagement of their economies G7 politicians have a ready rebuttal to their domestic critics when they return from a summit: Look at the other world leaders, they all believe

il summit declarations are carefully writ-A ten by finance ministry officials to crystallise and reinforce the conventional wisdom prevailing in the international economic policy establishment over the previous 12 months. Since finance ministries and central banks have basically the same agenda the world over - to cut public spending, reduce inflation and limit government borrowing the G7 leaders never discuss alternative economic policies, still less question fundamental

objectives.

There are, of course, phases in the world economic cycle when the deflationary prejudices of finance ministries and international economic institutions such as the IMF and OECD make good sense. When the world economy is booming, a touch of coordinated deflation can often be desirable. Unfortunately, however, the thinking of economic bureaucrats tends to lag behind changes in world conditions by a crucial three or four years. This is perhaps why the G7 inexplicably threw away the hair-shirts and stimulated the world economy at the peak of both

the last two economic cycles, in 1978 and 1988. Recently, however, the dangers have all been on the other side. Since the summer of 1990, the world economy has been in clear decline and in need of urgent macroeconomic stimulus. For the first time since the 1930s, every important economy has either been contracting or growing below its potential, while world commodity prices and asser values have been falling sharply.

he rational response would have been a cut in interest rates, coordinated internationally to minimise the impact on trade flows. exchange rates and inflation. Beyond that, thos countries not suffering from chronic budget deficits and insupportable debt burdens should have increased public investment dramatically to boost their domestic economies. Finally, the G7 leaders should have made a concerted effort to break the deflationary psychology which has been stilling private investment and consumption, by explaining that consumption and investment, rather than saving, must be the main objectives of economic policy in a depression. Instead of welcoming falling prices and calling for further cuts in wages, like latter day Herbert Hoovers, they should have promised to sustain asset prices and demand.

We can be sure, however, that tomorrow's G7 communique will make no useful contribution to ending the world recession. The finance ministry officials who are the brains behind the G7 are still fighting the battle against inflation they lost in 1988. As for the G7 leaders themselves, one can only repeat Keynes's famous comment about the politicians of the 1930s: "Practical men, who believe themselves to be quite exempt from intellectual influences, are usually the slaves of some defunct economist. Madmen in authority are distilling their frenzy from some academic scribbler a few years back.

As the BBC launches Eldorado, Janet Daley argues that soap operas merit serious academic study

By the time this column appears, we should know whether Eldorado has Soaps, sex and sociology lived up to the promise of its trailers as the worst drama serial ever produced by public service broadcasting. If the BBC has quent children. And the objects tal intellectuals believe in. and on, living through one of all this prurient curiosity are

None of this, I should point trauma after another. And their None of this, I should point gone a soap too far, it will be of all this prurient curiosity are because it did not devote enough expected to volunteer cagerly to out, is said with contempt. As a study to a genre that it helped to

confide their intimate leelings. After all, isn't that how life is lived in the soap opera world. with its convincing naturalism? The idea that even the most banal, callous characters con-And never doubt that soap opera merits study. Not only is it one of the most influential ceal a molten core of vulnerabilily and tenderness is probably the secret of the soap's addictive power. It is the artful deceit which hides behind the verisimilitude: here is a world which looks just like the real one (including, in EastEnders, the graffiti and the detailed squalor) popular media. The tabloid press now specialises in the confessional interview and the and which is peopled by individuals who, thanks to competent people caught up in public events. Fashionable chat-shows

create. Whether it was unself-

conscious artistry or happy acci-dent, the corporation did invent.

in EastEnders, the paradigm-

successes of mass culture, but its

preoccupation with emotions

and the quality of relationships

has become the leitmotif of the

"frank revelations" of ordinary

no longer provide an amiable

platform for pluggers of books

and movies. They are more eager to confront their guests

with full frontal interrogations

about their marriages, their

bereavements or their delin-

atic soap opera for our time.

acting, also sound authentic. All that is missing in Albert Square is the real deprivation of working-class life -- not material but spiritual. For these East End folk live in a never-never land of emotional warmth, honest intimacy and a kind of class loyalty that only sentimen-

writer of fiction. I am utterly in awe of the bener soaps. What is the secret of that incluctable power to involve? Why, once the addiction is established, do we care what is going to happen to those characters? The conventions of serial drama are part of the answer. The narcotic effect must have something to do with habituation: the on-going saga which becomes part of one's life and which one knows is not going to end. This open-endedness is an aid to naturalism, of course. In an ordinary play, the formal structure requires a beginning, a middle and an end: even the most unconventional modern drama imposes some sort of artificial scenario through which events pass and are somehow resolved. But in soaps nothing is ever finally resolved. Just like people in real life, the characters go on

lives seem to be taking place in real time. There are none of the elisions, dissolves and flashbacks used by high drama or film-making. All of this gives credence to the idea that this is a real world, running parallel to our own, which makes the lapses of honesty harder to spot and more pernicious.

All soaps, from the depressive and supposedly cynical East-Enders, to the absurd Australian rubbish, revolve around closelyknit neighbourhoods or extended families whose mutual loyalties transcend any temporary frictions. The poignancy of this, in an age of isolation and endemic loneliness, is hard to miss. But the most important distinguishing characteristic of the soap is that it is concerned exclusively and explicitly with relationships. (By this defini-tion, the American series thirtysomething, counts as a

soap.) Thus, whatever the milieu, characters must not only be obsessed with the quality of their personal relationships but must endlessly talk about them.

Now whatever favourite occu-pations the British working classes (particularly their male members) may have, articulating emotions is not one of them. The most bizarre false note, it always seems to me, is the proclivity of those hard-bitten denizens of the East End for apologising to one another ("I'm sorry I blew up like that, 'Chelle": "I shouldn't have said

"Chelle"; "I shouldn't have said all those things. Arthur"). All kinds of people have coded ways of expressing their regrets, but whatever their class, they hardly ever actually tell one another that they are sorry. For such literal and fulsome apology to become a feature of workingclass life would be a startling transfiguration. But, of course, these people are really classiess. They exist only in that social no-

man's-land imagined by scriptwriters and producers whose own political proclivities incline them to romanticise the idea of working-class communality. But their concerns and their means of self-expression are definitively middle class, even if they do talk in funny accents.

Their real raison d'être is to be a conduit for high grade emotion. The attraction of the soap is that it allows us to view the stark revelation of other people's inner feelings from a safe distance. The characters engage us by their willing self-revela-tion, their open testimony of deep feeling. In real life, inhibi-tions can be broken down by crisis: death in the family, termi-nal illness or traumatic parting. Thus the soap must rely for credibility on a constant stream of personal crises, not just for dramatic plot but to justify the emotional outpourings which are its real interest. Soaps, in the end, portray our inner selves as we would like to see them. The BBC may yet lose its way in the Mediterranean by forgetting that what audiences want is not so much sun and sex

Can Mitterrand win where de Gaulle lost?

n obstinate old president sits in the Elysee Palace or travels the world preoccupied by schemes of national grandeur. France grinds to a halt and the CRS riot police wade in with armoured cars to do battle with workers. It is tempting to see in this latest French drama a replay of the insurrection of students and workers in May 1968, which drove Charles de Gaulle from office a

The echoes are certainly striking, as French and foreign commentators have been busy pointing out. Now nearing the end of a presidency already a year longer than de Gaulie's, François Mitterrand, is wildly unpopular and deemed even by many of his old supporters to have lost his touch. His government, left to handle the drivers' insurrection while M Mitterrand files to Sarajevo and then Munich saying not a public word, is discredited and confused. One day it vows to show the rebellious truckers no mercy, and the next it promises sympathy and negotiation. A day

later, as trains grind to a standstill, it sends in the sinister CRS, backed up by tanks and army cranes, while the drivers cock a snook and go on with the blockade. Although his term of office

has three years to run, it is far from impossible that M Mitterrand, the opposition leader in 1968, will pull one of the grand surprises which are his speciality and retire from the stage, particularly if the September referendum on Europe goes badly or if his Socialist party is

trounced in the general

As popular disorder grows, the parallels with 1968 haunt the

president, says Charles Bremner

election next March. Then the parallel with de Gaulle, who gambled and lost in a referendum, would be perfect. However, the contrasts with the present situation are

also striking.

The most obvious among them is that in the dreary summer of 1992, there is no sense of common cause, no grand move-ment and least of all any of the inspiration that fuelled the festive atmosphere of the Sixties' upheaval. Naïve and spurious though their alliance may have been, the trade unions stopped work and middle-class students ripped up the Latin Quarter all in the name of a liberating ideal, a vague Marxist-Maoist alterna-tive (inspired by both Karl and Groucho) to the stifling and prosperous France of the bourgeois père de famille and his DS Ciroen.

This time there are no triumphant slogans or doctrines. The stars of this revolt are burly lorry drivers upset over a scheme designed to enforce the highway. code. Those in power, ironically, include some of the radical chie who took to the barricades of 1968. If the shade of the General is observing the chaos of 1992, he must be enjoying the denunciation of the highway blockade as illegal by Jack Lang a veteran of the University of Nancy in 1968 and now minister of education and number two in the government of Pierre Bérégovoy. With unem-ployment the primary fear of students, the paving stones around the Sorbonne are being left in peace. Nothing has been heard from Danny "the Red"

Cohn-Bendit, now a German politician like any other. France is more democratic now, and one of the richest of

nations, but is afflicted by anundirected malaise, a ras-le-bol (fed-up feeling) which favours no movement or party, least of all the opposition of Jacques Chirac or Valery Giscard d'Estaing, just as much dinosaurs in their way as M Mitterrand.

The context is diametrically opposed to May '68," noted the eminent sociologist Alain Tou-raine yesterday. "Government power is weak, out of steam and arriving at the end of the road, but there is no general resentment." Nothing could better illustrate the present spirit of every man for himself than the absurdity of the farmers, veteran terrors of the nation's highways, halting the trains to protest against the government's failure to break the siege which is keeping their produce from market. sectorial terrorism."

his lack of solidarity has contrary effects. The fragmented nature of the challenge to authority means the situation is nothing like as explosive as it was in 1968. The worst the government has to fear is a chain reaction of unconnected protests dragging on into the summer. While expressing mild sympathy for the truck drivers. most people are far more prececupied by the disruption to their holidays than by thoughts of bringing down the government.

But the confusion also multiplies the government's task in restor-ing order. As the former union leader M Bérégovoy asked, how do you deal with a completely disorganised adversary? It was far easier when unions, even communist ones, negotiated for the workers. Only 3 per cent of the hory deniers are in unions. the long drivers are in unions.

For the moment, the opposi-tion has largely been holding its fire, avoiding the trap M Mitter-rand and the opposition fell into in 1968, when Georges Pompidou, then prime minister, used their anti-government actions to feed the the outrage of the silent majority, so keeping them from power for more than a decade. M Chirac and his fellow neo-Gaullists have focused their criticism on what they call the paralysis of the Socialist government, and in particular on its failure to "think through" the driving-licence system, which was actually approved by most opposition MPs when it was voted upon three years ago, and upon the government's purported failure to "consult" the long drivers before applying it. Pushed to the wall, the opposi-

tion would probably concede 🗥 that the origin of the present disobedience runs beyond party As Le Monde said, "France is in politics to the nature of the 34a state of social balkanisation... year-old Fifth Republic, which
we have entered the era of was tallormade to put an end to year-old Fifth Republic, which was tailormade to put an end to parliamentary paralysis and to concentrate power in the hands of General de Gaulle. This system, comments Professor Toursine, writing in the conservative newspaper Figuro, has bequeathed to France a chronic disease: the inability to negotiate and manage change. The failure of the Beregovoy government to introduce a peaceful reform in the touchy domain of driving licences, he says, is one in a long series of episodes which show that France re-mains stuck, as ever, between two extremes: "inertia and recourse to the buildozer"



...and moreover CRAIG BROWN

Testerday, it was announced that Top of the Pops is likely to end next year after nearly thirty years, because of falling ratings. To-day, Alan Freeman, one of its original presenters, celebrates his 65th birthday, so becoming an OAP DJ. We are none of us getting any younger. Oddly enough, Alan Freeman

is the youngest of the original Top of the Pops presenters: the other three have been in possession of half-price rail and bus tickets for quite some time. Sir Jimmy Savile and Pete Murray were both born in 1925, and David Jacobs was born in 1926.

Perhaps it is only fair to these veteran disc-jockeys to "out" a few pop stars too; Paul McCartney has just celebrated his 50th birthday. Mick Jagger will be 50 next year, Bill Wyman is 55. Leonard Cohen is 58. Little Richard will be 60 on Christmas Day, James Brown is 63, Chuck Berry is 65, and even Yoko Ono will be 60 next February. Way back in 1981. Bill Haley became the first rock star to die of old age.

At a rough estimate, the average age of a pop star is now about the same as the average age of a cabinet minister. an ambassador or a bishop. In an off-quoted World in Action special in 1967. Mick Jagger explained to the editor of The Times. the Bishop of Woolwich and a former home secretary what the younger generation was really thinking. In a few years time, perhaps the editor of The Times, the Bishop of

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Wootwich and a former home secretary will be assembled to explain to Mick Jagger what the younger generation is really thinking.

There has already been a certain amount of crowing at the possibility of the demise of *Top* of the *Pops*. "The wonder is that it has lasted so long." wrote Mr Shaun Usher in yesterday's Daily Mail. "Along with the majority of Britons, I haven't watched it for years." But just as even the most unpopular poli-ticians, bishops and editors acquire an untouchable mystique within seconds of being rendered powerless (one can see it happening now with Tony Benn) so too will Top of the Pops. It will, I predict turn out to be the Nye Bevan of television programmes, cooed over the moment it conks out. In years to come, it will join Tales of the Riverbank and Look Back in Anger as an emotional touchstone for all those who lived through it, and parents will be ordering their children to switch off their computer games, to stop burying their heads in books and to spend

an hour swotting up on an old Top of the Pops video as part of their homework for the Ancient Pop Music and Allied Studies GCSE exams. To assist the younger generation in its studies, I have prepared this handy cut-outand-keep crib to questions that

examinees are likely to be

asked about the principal dates

and events in the history of

1) "The eyes of an entire nation were upon us," said Jimmy Savile of the first night of Top of the Pops in January. 1964. Discuss.

2) The following are extracts from a little-known piece writ-ten by noted thinker Germaine Greer on the death of Jimi Hendrix in Oz magazine, Octo-ber 1970. Read them through thoroughly before answering the questions beneath.

(i) How many times did he start to rap charming with his bush-baby eyes and his ready smile and that fast sharp patter only to find no comeback but fawning? How often did the rapping change to pan-handling and then to sneering because his friends were nothing but an audience and they didn't know the difference between the panhandling and the straight rap?

Render the above extract into modern English. (ii) He may not have wanted us to grieve for him. but we had better grieve for ourselves. We have lost the best rock guitarist we ever had because we did not know how to keep him.

In your own words, what do you think Dr Greer meant by this? (For advanced students Ancient History. If you

don't dig. you lose your superior-

ity over the square and so you are less likely to be cool (Norman Mailer Hipsterism. 1957). In no more than 200 words, explain how Norman Mailer managed to keep cool while digging the square.

Mayle supremacy

PETER MAYLE is delighted by the absence of uninvited visitors on his Provencal doorstep, but the impasse on French roads is driving other British Francophiles to distraction. Those who managed to reach their French country houses before the blockade face the not entirely unpleasant experience of being stranded until the dispute is over. Others face the more alarming prospect of being stuck in Britain for the best part of the summer.

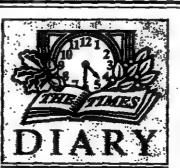
Sir Stephen Spender is concerned about his wife. "She's alone out there and rather stuck. She was going to come back on Friday. but we don't now think she will be able to." Lady Spender, speaking from her house near Avignon, was keeping her upper lip commend-ably stiff. "The small roads are chock-a-block with traffic because of the position on the autoroutes." she says. "I'm half way up a mountain and I haven't even tried to get

out. I am told it's impossible to get A near neighbour, the writer Joanna Kilmanin, managed to take one of the last trains south, queuing for two hours for a ticket. "It's a bloody muisance. There are lorries everywhere, abandoned by Spanish and German arivers, and everyone is getting frustrated," she says. "People are coming to blows. There have been fisticuffs even in our small college." village. Petrol is now in short supply and there is practically no mear in Lyon. I'm selling my

know what I will do.' Meanwhile Mayle is enjoying life sans les Anglais. To his intense irritation, many readers of his books about Provence turn up

house and due to move out on July

20. If it isn't over by then I don't



every summer in his village of Menberces. 20 miles south-east of Avignon, demanding that he sign copies. Yesterday he was so enjoying hearing French rather than English in the local restaurants that he was refusing even to take phone calls from the home country. "He's not willing to com-ment," said his publisher. "He is hard at work on another book." Peace in Provence, perhaps?

Not everyone was caught as unawares by the blockade as President Mitterrand. Take this advice on the autoroutes: "You will be unlucky to be held up by roadworks. However you may run foul of farmers, lorry-drivers or any other group of protestors that has decided to block the road as a way of exerting pressure on the government." Prophetic words, for they appeared eight weeks ago in Colin Corder's book Some of My Best Friends are French.

Old stager

ONE OF the best loved leading ladies of the theatre. Evelyn Laye, will tomorrow recreate the song and dance routine which she last performed with Sir John Mills at the London Hippodrome 59 years ago. Laye, who will be 92 on Friday, has not danced with Mills since their performance in the

musical Give Me a Ring in 1933. "I remember it well. He was so romantic," says Laye, who is due at the London Palladium tomorrow for a reprise with her old partner of "I don't know how I can do

without you". The performance is part of the entertainment industry's tribute to Laye's 77-year career in showbusiness. Although she list appeared on the Palladium stage 55 years ago, Lave admits she will be nervous tomorrow night. "My

", heart still misses a beat ■ Tetley. brewers of fine English ale and patrictic sponsors of Graham Gooch's England cricket team, have run into à little flak from RAF veterans over a new pub in Leeds. The brewery can a com-petition among the locals to finda name for the pub, which was built on the site of a second world

A rouch of the old Memphis blues.



war air-base at Clifton Moor. Those venerable English warriors of the air, the Halifax and the Lysander emerged as clear favourites. And what name did Tetley's choose? Memphis Belle. The local: RAF association is not impres-

sed by the argument that the

pub stands on land leased from Warner Brothers, which made the film of the same name. They now fear that Tetley will soon be giving up the England Test team in fa-vour of the Red Sox.

BBC who?

SOME may argue that he has a lot to answer for, but the world of popular music should today raise a glass to Christopher Stone, the man without whom there would have been no Radio One and rap music would have been no more than a bad dream. Exactly 65 years ago today, Britain's first disc-jockey played his first record on the BBC airwaves.

Yet he was never meant to do the broadcast. He was deputising for his brother-in-law Sir Compton Mackenzie, editor of The Gramaphone and author of Whisky Galore. At the time the idea of offering words of comment between pieces of recorded music was considered revolutionary. "I never had anything written down.
I insisted on being free to meander along in my own fashion and tell a few personal stories prompted by the records I played," said Stone shortly before his death in 1965.

By coincidence, the first broadcast took place just a day, after the birth of Alan "Fluff" Freeman, the veteran BBC Radio One DJ who celebrated his 65th birthday with a lunch at Broadcasting House yesterday. Yes I know all about Christopher Stone, but I had no idea about the tuning of his historic broadcast just one day after my own debut. As far as I am aware I didn't hear his pioneering broadcast." Freeman can be ex-cused his ignorance of the date. Even the BBC is not celebrating the anniversary today, simply because it did not know about it. "Christopher who?" demanded a Radio One spokesman.

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DENTISTS DISTRESSED

It may be no coincidence that the central. and rather forlorn, character in Graham Greene's play The Complaisant Lover should be a dentist. A lover of practical jokes, he comes across as an immature, insecure human being. Greene plainly intended the use of this profession, unfairly or otherwise, to add to a sense of bathos. The truth is that dentists have never enjoyed the same public esteem as doctors - or since All Creatures Great and Small of vets.

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Dentists are now having a hard time. The general improvement in young people's teeth, largely due to fluoridation, means that there is not the same need as of old for regular checkups or routine treatments. At the top, hi-tech, end of the market there have been great advances. But many have followed American experience, in the direction of what is virtually cosmetic surgery. A universal provision of "crowns" and "bridges" can hardly have been the priority that Aneurin Bevan had in mind when free dentistry became an integral part of the National Health Service in 1948.

As a result, a gap has developed between the reward a dental practitioner gets for such work under the NHS (which for most people ceased to be "free" in 1951) and the market rates available in private practice. This discrepancy lies at the heart of the present dispute. Put bluntly, the majority of the nation's 20,000 dentists, as reflected yesterday in the results of the separate ballots of their two professional associations, see no reason why they should continue to impoverish themselves by working for the NHS when they can do so much better by treating privately the many patients who seem ready

and able to pay.

The dentists' leaders fasten the blame on the government. They claim that by introducing a 7 per cent cut in NHS fees acrossthe-board, the health department has deliberately provoked the present dispute. Technically, they may be right. But whatever the wisdom of the proposed cut (originally an-nounced by William Waldegrave and now confirmed by Virginia Bottomley), it has only accelerated an inevitable collision between the profession and the government over this aspect of the nation's health.

Dentists have been marching away from the NHS for some time. In parts of Southeast England it is almost impossible for a newcomer to register with an NHS dentist. But it will not be in the affluent regions that the real damage will be done if dentists now act on the result of their ballots and refuse (except perhaps for children and the old) to offer treatment under the NHS. In areas such as the North-east of England, where private practice is still the exception, any boycott by dentists of NHS patients threatens to leave only hospital casualty departments available to the relatively poor for the relief of pain.

Neither the government nor the dental profession can possibly wish that sort of result. There is bluff on both sides, not least because the deadline for the imposition of the cut in fees now stands less than 24 hours away. One immediate step the government should take is to appoint an independent arbitrator to discover whether the dentists' claim that the effect of the cut in fees will be to reduce incomes by an average of £6,000-£7,000 has any basis. That would buy time, but in this sort of dispute time in itself is a valuable ingredient in reaching an acceptable settlement.

In the longer term Mrs Bottomley must think hard about whether there is any place for NHS dentists as such, or whether this is a case for privatisation and means-tested benefits. At the moment her department risks giving the impression that it is trying to throttle the public side of dental treatment by tightening the purse-strings. Perhaps it should go back to work out a new system of publicly-funded dental care in a nation that has far better teeth than ever before.

DRAWING THE LINE

Russia's constitutional court is considering. today whether the communist party is to be permanently banned, or whether its suspension by President Yeltsin after the abortive August coup should now be lifted. Already hardline communists are speaking of a "new Nuremburg trial" for those who served the old regime. Their attempt to drum up sympathy is hypocritical and irrelevant: the court is not being asked to decide individual responsibility for wrong-doing, but whether the party as such violated the constitution.

Even so the court's ruling will be momenstituted, opponents of Mr Yeltsin's reforms will have a determined and experienced core around which to unify, and the danger of bloody confrontation on the streets will be increased. If it decides to ban the party indefinitely, pressure will grow on Mr Yeltsin to bring to justice not only the coup leaders, but other former apparatchiks accused of corruption and human rights violations.

President Yeltsin will arrive in Munich to meet the G7 summit leaders within hours of the court convening. His argument for Western aid will be undermined if the spectre of communism is to rise again in Russia, especially after his ringing declaration in Washington that he would never again allow this evil in his land. The court is therefore under great political pressure to uphold his ban. But would the West really welcome the next step, the trial of former party members? Is such a symbolic cleansing of the country

from its past necessary or desirable? Mr Yehsin could usefully ask Helmut Kohl for his view. He has aiready compared Russia's post-communist era with Germany after the second world war. He has spoken of the need to rid his country of communist influence, just as Germany renounced Nazi ideology. This means changing the laws, rewriting school textbooks, promoting press freedom, scrapping the whole apparatus of lies, control and deception.

On the degree of individual culpability,

Mr Yeltsin could again consult Herr Kohl. Germany has been wrestling with the question of personal responsibility for the horrors inflicted on the East German population by the Stasi. Many Germans have doubts about the morality of putting border guards on trial while the bosses who gave the orders were in foreign embassies or claiming to be sick. Opening security files to determine such responsibility has been horrific for much of East Germany. For many it has been a catharsis, but even a tangential mention in the files has destroyed marriages. broken careers and prompted suicides

Vadim Bakatin, the liberal who briefly took over the KGB after the coup, decided early on that there would be no public access to all the files, no naming of the millions who have at one time or another served as informers. In the Russian context, this was wise. In an atmosphere of accumulated bitterness, economic despair and envy at former privilege, a witch-hunt could poison all attempts to build democracy.

But there can be no blanket absolution for the most blatant crimes. Too many of those who perverted what was even then the law and the constitution are now trying to escape blame, passing themselves off as new businessmen or nationalist champions. Those sent to the gulag or psychiatric prisons should have the chance of redress in court.

Even if the party remains proscribed, former membership should not necessarily be a disqualification for involvement in the gigantic task of putting a mined country back on its feet. But neither should membership of what was once a legal organisation be any protection again prosecution for corruption, embezziement of funds, human rights violations, or persecution of thought, religion and ethnic minorities. Mr Yeltsin will find support in Munich for his reform, sympathy for his political predicament. In turn he must convince the world that those guilty of evils under communism - rather than just the evil of communism - will be punished.

TRUMPING ACES

The master of returns beat the fastest gun in the West, just, in an absorbing men's singles final at Wimbledon, so reducing, at any rate temporarily, the alarm that power is coming to dominate finesse at lawn tennis. In spite of firing 37 aces to Andre Agassi's nine, Goran Ivanisevic still lost when his service finally faltered in the last game of a heroic match. It was good for tennis that this year the touch players did better than the thunderboltservers and galloping net-chargers. But the result will not banish the fear, widespread among professionals and commentators, that the big service and power play may be blasting away the subtler skills of tennis.

The fast service has always been an exciting part of the modern game. There was no electronic machinery to measure the speed of the ball when Ellsworth Vines aced Bunny Austin to win the match point of the Wimbledon singles final in 1932. But Austin declared he did not know if the ball passed him on the backhand or forehand side. Since then, players have become more powerful and more professional, as they have in all sports. But in tennis over the past 20 years new equipment has increased their power. The synthetic rackets are lighter, stronger, less flexible and more tightly strung than their predecessors made of wood and cat-gut. With them, the top women can serve nearly as fast as the men; and some of the men can

serve at around 130 mph. If tennis were ever to become a game in which two superbly strong young athletes merely projected aces past each other in turn until one of them made too many double faults, then it would be time to reduce the advantage of the service. This could be done отимента и пред том на пред т

by raising the net, or moving the service line closer to the net. Another way to cut back the power of the service would be to revert to the pre-1959 foot-fault rule, under which players had to keep one foot on the ground during the service. To allow only one service instead of two would kill the excitement of the big service, and would make the game even harder for those amateurs and weekend rabbits for whom the rules are framed also.

Something could be done to curb the power of the equipment. The pressure in the ball could be reduced without losing its crispness. Experiments are being made with fluffier balls, which would swing more. Too many millions have been spent on developing the modern racket to revert to cat-gut and wood. The powerful big-bodied rackets which encourage baseline power at the ex-

pense of the finer touch could still be banned. But the new power rackets have improved women's tennis, and enlivened the monotony of the clay-court game. Ordinary players like their new power. It is only on fast grass and indoor surfaces that the blitzkrieg of the big service threatens to blast tennis off the court. Each of the four biggest tennis tournaments takes place on a different surface, bringing variety to the game and offering better chances to different types of player. Variety is the charm of tennis, which could otherwise become a metronomic bore. Equipment should be modified before changing the rules or the court; and the game should be kept the same for professionals and amateurs. But for this Wimbledon there was delight in fine tennis of many varieties, and relief that the big service did not entirely rule the courts.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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students' role

From Dr Bruce Coleman

Sir. The government intends to change the position of student unions in higher education (report, June 15). Few universities would go to the stake to defend the National Union of Students; but, as debate at the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals on July 3 showed, our own student unions are another тапет.

Most universities have allowed their students a role in the governance of the institution (for example, by places on senates) and this development has won Privy Council approval. There is also constant need for dialogue and negotiation between university authorities and recognised representatives of the student body.

These needs for representation

could not be met through student organisations constituted on a voluntary basis. If our student unions were dissolved by law we would have to set about replacing them with something similar.

Most student unions either help their universities to run, or run themselves, a variety of services, ranging from trading concerns like shops and bars to sport and other recreational provision and to important welfare and advice services. The welfare services, which are often subsidised by the commercial activities, are under ever greater pressure these days and are more valued and trusted by students because they are not run directly by university administrations.

Most universities would not wish to run all these services and activities themselves. Leaving them to students to manage has advantages, not least the development and encouragement of administrative skills, commercial awareness and social respon-

I would suggest, therefore, that if the government does move against certain kinds of political activity within student unions it takes good care not to damage either their representational role or their provision of very worthwhile services. Politics of the kind which public funds should not subsidise could then be left to voluntary participation and financing by individual students, as are many activities within our universities aiready.

Most students, though irritated by the occasional excesses of their unions, would not term their union membership compulsory but autobut a right. That view is neither foolish nor irresponsible and this university, alongside many others, would wish to press government to give it due weight as it considers its egislative proposals.

Yours faithfully. BRUCE COLÉMAN (Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor). University of Exeter. Queen's Building, The Queen's Drive, Exeter, Devon.

Fishing controls From Mr J. O. Portus

Sir, A mass lobby by the fishing industry will take place at West-minster on July 7 to protest at the proposed introduction of legislation the Sea Fish (Conservation) Bill that will lead to a limit on the number of days on which a British fishing vessel may go to sea.

A limit on days at sea, or "effort control" as the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food calls it, will impose yet more artificial con-straints on an industry besieged by bureaucracy from both HMG and the EC. It is agreed by Maff that the quota system will continue, but on a

limited number of days.

The legislation will not be enforceable on British vessels based in other EC member states, so the "flag of convenience" vessel will fish with impunity. Moreover, other EC ves-sels will not be subjected to the proposed restrictions. They will catch the fish not taken by British vessels and will supply our markets through

expensive imports. Fines of up to £50,000 may be imposed for fishing for more days than allowed, even if the UK has not fully taken its quotas of the target species or if the vessel in question is not catching quota species.

The legislation also allows the minister to remove a vessel's licence without the need to prove guilt in a court of law.

Maff should allow time for technical measures to conserve fish stocks, introduced on June 1, to take effect. It should target a fleet reduction scheme at stocks under pressure and should encourage diversion of effort into low-pressure fisheries. There is grant aid available in Europe to promote such schemes.

The proposed bill is not part of a rational or effective conservation scheme, but a panic measure. It is an insult to the industry and the government should withdraw it.

Yours faithfully, J. O. PORTUS (Chief Executive). South Western Fish Producer Organisation Ltd. Unit 2, The Fish Market. The Barbican. Plymouth, Devon.

Letters to the editor should carry a daytime telephone aumber. They may be sent to a fax number -071-782 5046.

Universities back Access to English literature at school verified by the teacher, would get

From Mr Geoffrey Bremner

Sir. Bernard Levin ("Death of the lad of letters". June 29) must belong to an exceptional and now largely unidentifiable generation if "all [his] coevals" (his italics) had read "practically all of Shakespeare", "at least half a dozen Dickens" and a whole lot more, by the age of 14.

Those of his "coevals" who were not privileged to receive an elite education at the better public and grammar schools (well over threequarters of the population) might with luck have enjoyed (or not) a passing acquaintance with Shake speare, had a look at one of the shorter Dickens novels and dabbled in a few other books. Most of the names in his list of writers would have been unknown to them, and probably still are.

Mr Levin harms his case by

writing as though everybody had had the same educational privileges as himself. He also forgets that our literary heritage can only ever provide enjoyment for a minority.

By all means let us try to evolve a form of education which preserves it for that minority; but let us not talk as though the others don't exist. Yours faithfully,

12 College Road. Reading, Berkshire.

GEOFFREY BREMNER,

From Mr Nicholas Albery Sir, Hooray for Bernard Levin and his concern for poetry and literature in schools. I have much enjoyed my new resolution to spend 20 minutes or so every morning learning a poem

(whilst doing my exercises).

So far I have 40 of the great classics more or less under my belt. and at this rate I shall soon overtake Levin's 2,000 lines. I wish that I had been made to

learn more poems at school - the few that I did learn have given me more pleasure since than anything else in the syllabus. I suggest that children at school

could be sponsored for fundraising appeals to learn poems at so much per line (or even for pocket money at home — why should pocket money be unearned? I herewith offer 20p-a-line

sponsorship, with a £50 upper limit. to the first pupil who gets his or her school to take this up and who learns some truly difficult and challenging poetry by, say, Gerard Manley

Only those lines that were faultlessly recited to an audience, as

is this not a clear example of political expediency overtaking theological principle? Yours sincerely,

Sir, Clifford Longley ("Women priests show up the Synod's impotence", June 27) points to the difficulty of the Synod of the Church of England in reflecting the opinion

It is also important to recall that some of us further advocated that the debate about the ordination of women as priests cannot be separated from the issue of the ordination of women as bishops. Theologically,

Requests that the legislation deal with the issue as a whole were met with the pragmatic reply from the then Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Runcie "If you raise the height of the fence it is more likely that the horse

Shire reforms

From Councillor Michael Bishop

If a shire-dweller needs to contact a

local authority in almost any matter other than schools or police, it is his or her district council or, possibly, his or her district councillor to which that citizen normally first turns for advice. (In the rural parts, where county ward areas are inevitably large, the county councillor is likely

to be remote and often unknown). It is, therefore, most sensible to review the present two-tier system and the apportionment of responsibilities for the various services.

their sponsorship money. Yours faithfully, NICHOLAS ALBERY,

20 Heber Road, NW2.

From Mrs L. K. Knight

Sir, If children are not introduced to literature from an early age, then there is little likelihood of their acquiring the skills of reading and lucid writing later in life.

I was an average pupil who took general school certificate at the age of 15. For the English literature paper of that year - 1938 - the set texts were Sir Thomas More's Utopia. Shakespeare's Julius Caesar flarge portions of which had to be committed to memory) and Milton's "L'Allegro" and "Il Penseroso". This was a three-hour paper, with context questions as well as written essays.

There was also an English language paper of the same length: both of these papers had to be passed at one sitting along with other basic subjects, including one foreign language. Fail one, fail all,

Now, our children are being let down because teachers have often neither appreciation nor training in the teaching of classic literature. It is a knock-on effect.

Yours faithfully. LESLIE KNIGHT. Broadwell Leigh, White Street, Market Lavington, Wiltshire.

From Professor Paul Kline

Sir. Bernard Levin highlights a problem which afflicts all teaching, not only of English, in schools today. This is the failure to use intelligence test scores as an index of what sensibly might be expected of a child. Without these scores it is not possible to know whether a child is performing well or well below his or her

Intelligence test scores used in this way are far from cruel to low performers. Such children may be released from the burden of too high expectations, just as high performers will not be allowed to doze. Much guilt about failure is therefore removed: guilt which a mistaken egalitarianism sadly fosters in academically less gifted children and their families.

Yours faithfully. PAUL KLINE. University of Exeter. Department of Psychology. Washington Singer Laboratories,

PETER GELDARD

The Catholic Group in

7 Tufton Street, SW1.

conscience, accept.

From Mr Frank Williams

Sir, Clifford Longley is absolutely

right when he says that it strains credibility to suggest that a two-

thirds majority in favour of ordain-

ing women to the priesthood would

show "the mind of the church" or,

even worse, "the mind of God". It

should be obvious that you cannot

discount the deeply held convictions

of one third of the church by passing

legislation which they cannot, in

it does not need a vote in General

Synod for us to know that unity is

God's will for his church, and it is

abundantly clear that a vote in favour of this measure will bring

about the most appalling disunity.

For this reason, if for no other. I

rejection comes about only as a result

of a vote in the House of Laity. The

House of Bishops in particular will

be very aware of the consequences

which will follow if this legislation is

mean in terros of division in their

For this reason I believe that some

bishops who are in favour of ordain-

ing women, and some of the clergy

who feel that way will, nonetheless,

come to feel it right to vote against

the legislation at this time for the

sake of that unity which we know to be Christ's will for his church.

(Lay member, General Synod),

Yours faithfully, FRANK WILLIAMS

Edgware, Middlesex.

England.

31 Manor Park Crescent.

passed. They will realise what it will

believe the synod will reject it. It will, however, be sad if this

(Chairman).

General Synod.

Faith House.

Ordination of women From Mr J. B. Wreford

of the church as a whole.

There is another matter which adds to this weakness, namely that deanery synod members, when voting at diocesan synods upon a subject which has been discussed at parochial church councils and deanery synods, are not obliged to follow the expressed wishes of those bodies. but may vote according to their personal opinions.

I am informed that a similar position arises when diocesan synod members attend General Synod. At every stage therefore "the mind of the church" is in danger of becoming more remote from the final decision.

Yours faithfully. J. B. WREFORD, 12 Braeside Close, Sevenoaks, Kent. June 29.

From Father Peter Geldard

Sir, Clifford Longley only tells half the story when he rightly recounts that one of the main reasons why the ordination of women priests legislation does not require a "special majority" is because "the promoters of women priests knew they would never get it

the sacrament of holy order is one.

Secondly, district councillors of all parties are, indeed, concerned at the sudden flurry of self-serving publicity Sir, Your leader, "Centralism run and propaganda recently emanating from county councils and directed at

riot" (June 24), appears unbalanced in at least two respects. First, it is very widely recognised that, for the average apolitical citizen in the shires, the present split of duties between county and district is confusing, which itself may also contribute to apathy at local government elections.

District councils do not want to be driven into responding in like manner in self-defence, especially since all such PR, whether from county or district, is ultimately paid for by the same set of chargepayers. Yours faithfully. MICHAEL BISHOP

chargepayers with the apparent ob-

ject of manipulating local commu-

nity consciousness in advance of the

Local Government Commission for

Conservative member. Rother District Council). Combe House, Beckley, Rye, Sussex.

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Licence to draw in time of drought

From the Chairman of the National Rivers Authority

Sir. Mr Derek Braggins (June 27) asks whether the decision by the National Rivers Authority to issue a licence to abstract water from the River Axe can be reconciled with the statement made by me (letter, June 24) that the NRA "will not hesitate to vary or revoke licences in order to protect the environment.

There is no contradiction between what I said in my press conference and the action taken on the Axe

because I stated that where reducing or stopping abstractions means water companies having to seek alternative sources of supply this will be taken fully into account in the setting of timetables for action.

We cannot just ignore the immediare needs of the large numbers of people who at present depend on the existing source, but the licence which has just been varied is a temporary one which expires in June 1994. The water authority is currently laying a new water main from Twenton to boost resources in this part of the country but it is not programmed for

completion until next spring. Last year's drought order was refused by the inspector after the public enquiry, during the course of which rain fell: sadly there has been no similar rainfall this summer. Stringent conditions have been imposed in order to achieve the maximum possible reductions in consumption. These include hosepipe bans and the banning of certain nonessential uses of water. The environmental condition of the river is being

carefully monitored. The time limit for determining other applications made by South West Water for the Axe and Exe river catchments has been extended to March next year to allow for extensive public consultation over a consultant's report on the possible options for meeting future demands for water in this part of Devon.

Yours etc. CRICKHOWELL, Chairman. National Rivers Authority, 30-34 Albert Embankment, SEI.

From Mrs Pamela Maxwell

Sir, That the water companies have a "legal obligation to supply" (letter, June 29) is surely the crux of the matter. I understand that until the Water Industry Act 1991 companies could refuse to supply a new development if they considered their resources were inadequate.

More and more housing is being forced into the South East; many aquifers have dried out during the prolonged drought, so the water companies have no alternative to increased river abstraction, with the attendant environmental horrors.

Refusal to supply would lessen the manic overdevelopment in the South East and water reserves would gradually increase. Yours faithfully.

PAMELA MAXWELL (Chairman, The Haywards Heath Amenity Society). East Franklands, Lewes Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex.

From Mr Christopher Wilkins

Sir. Abstraction licences are to draw off and then to return the water in an acceptable state. It is clear that in the South East the water is used and not returned, as in the case of the Darent (letters, June 19, 24).

CHRISTOPHER WILKINS, 2 Phoenix Lodge Mansions. Brook Green, W6. June 30.

Yours sincerely,

Silence on court From Ms Asphodel P. Long

Sir, To what extent, I wonder, might Monica Seles's defeat at Wimbledon (report, July 6) have been the result of the "psychological warfare" which induced her to change at the very last moment the basic training method

of grunting.
During the men's matches no one complained of inability to hear the ball struck because of similar noise. I hope Monica will hold to her assertiveness next time.

Yours sincerely.
ASPHODEL LONG. 5 Cavendish Court St George's Road. Brighton, Sussex. July 6.

Green towels From Mr R. E. Roberts

Sir. On a recent visit to Switzerland we were greeted in our hotel bathroom by a notice printed in four languages, as follows:

Dear Guest. Every day, hotels launder a great many towels - most of them unnecessarily. This leads to enormous quantities of detergents polluting our water system. You too can make a contribution to preserving our environ-ment — by using your bath linen more than once! Please place this card only on the towels you no longer wish to use ... Thank you!

This request had been initiated not by a green hotelier but by the Swiss Hotel Association. British hotels, please copy. Yours etc.,

R. E. ROBERTS, 5 Priory Crescent. Kents Bank, Grange-over-Sands, Cumbria.



COURT CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE July 6: By command of The Queen, the Lord Carnoys. Lord in Waiting, called upon the Gov-ernor-General of Antigua and Barbuda and Lady Jacobs today

at Dolphin Square, London SW I and welcomed Their Excellencies on behalf of Her Majesty on their

BUCKINGHAM PALACE July 6: The Duke of Edinburgh, Parron and Trustee, attended a dinner in support of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award World Fellowship at St James's Palace

The Princess Royal, President, Royal Yachting Association, this morning attended the 1992 Sonata International Champion-Association Chubhouse, Windermere, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Cumbria (Sir Charles Graham.

Her Royal Highness afterwards opened the new Magistrates' Court at Kendal, Cumbria.

Miss Victoria Legge-Bourke was in attendance. The Princess Royal, Patron, the British Nutrition Foundation, this evening anended a Silver Jubilee Reception at the Royal College of Physicians, Regent's Park, London NWI and was received by the Mayor of Camden

(Councillor Win Parsons). Her Royal Highness, President, Animal Health Trust, later attended a Dinner at the Kennel Club. I Clarges Street. London

The Hon Mrs Legge-Bourke was in attendance. CLARENCE HOUSE

July 6: Queen Elizabeth The

Birthdays today

July 6: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, Colonel-in-Chief XV/XIX The King's Royal Hussars, this evening held a Reception at Kensington Palace for former Commanding Officers of the Regiment.

Baroness Airey of Abingdon, 73; Mr Michael Ancram, MP. 47; Sir John G.N. Brown, publisher, 76; M. Pierre Cardin, fashion de-signer, 70; Lord Carlisle of Bucklow, QC, 63; Sir Michael Colman, chairman, Reckitt and Colman, 64; Lord Denman, 76; Mr Charles Dyer, playwright and actor, 64; Lord Farnham, 61; Dr actor, 04; Lord Farrinam, 61; Dr Rae Glichrist, physician, 93; Sir John Hedley Greenborough, for-mer president, CBJ. 70: Rear-Admirai J.S. Grove, 65; Lieu-tenant-Generai Sir Ian Harris, racehorse breeder, 82; Major Richard Henderson, Lord Lieutenant of Ayrshire and Arran. 6): Mr Michael Howard, QC. MP. 51: Professor Tom Husband, vice-chancellor, Salford University, 56; Mr Tony Jacklin, golfer, 48; Mr Barry Jackson, Serjeant Surgeon to the Queen, 56; Miss Bartholomew's Hospital, 71: Mr. Hamish Macinnes, mountain-

eer, 62: Lord Mais, 81. Sir Christopher Mallaby, diplomat, 56; the Earl of Mansfield 62; Mr Glan Carlo Menotti composer, 81; Mr Alessandro Nannini, racing driver, 33: Mr Bill Oddie, actor and ornithologist. 51: Mr Jon Pertwee, actor, 73: Mr Philip Recves, etcher. 61: the Hon Sir Steven Runciman, CH, historian, 89: Sir Kelvin Spencer, scientist, 94; Mr Ringo Starr, former Beatles' drummer. 52; Sir Adam Thomson, former chairman, British Caledonian Group, 66; Sir Richard Turnbull, former colonial administrator. 83: Admiral Sir Frank Twiss, former Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod. 82.

Meeting

Royal Over-Seas League Sir David Hunt, Honorary Pa-tron of the Hellenic Cultural Centre, was the speaker at a meeting of the Discussion Circle of the Royal Over-Seas League held last night at Over-Seas House, St James's Mrs Elizabeth

sequently opened the Manchester Royal Infirmary Phase II Finally, Her Royal Highness named the new Trafford Narrowboar for the Young

Queen Mother this afternoon visited Sunningdale Ladies Golf

Dame Frances Campbell-Preston was in attendance.

July 6: The Prince of Wales this afternoon gave a Garden Parry for Volunteers who assist The Prince's Trusts and other

organisations.

His Royal Highness this evening gave a dinner in support of the Game Conservancy Trust.

The Princess of Wales today

visited Manchester and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieuzenant for Greater

Lieutenant for Greater Manchester (Colonel John

Timmins).
Her Royal Highness, Patron.
Turning Point, visited Edward
House, Oldham.
The Princess of Wales sub-

KENSINGTON PALACE

Mr Patrick Jephson was in

KENSINGTON PALACE

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE July 6: Princess Alexandra, Chancellor, this afternoon presided at congregations for the conferment of Degrees and an Honorary Degree at Lancaster University.
The Lady Mary Mumford was

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Joseph Jacquard, slik weaver, Lyons, 1752; Sir Morell Mackenzle, physician, Leyton-stone, Essex, 1837; Gustav Mahler, composer, Kaliste, Austria, 1860; Marc Chagall, painter, Vitebsk, Russia, 1887.

DEATHS: Edward I, reigned 1272-1307, Burgh, Cumbria, 1307: Richard Brinsley Sheridan, dramatist and statesman, London, 1816; George Ohm, physicist, Munich, 1854; Sir Arphysicist. Munich, 1924; Sir Ar-thur Conan Doyle, writer. Crowborough, Sussex, 1930; Sir Allen Lane, publisher, founder of Penguin Books, Northwood, Middlesex, 1970; Vernorica Lake, Middlesex, 1970; Vernorica Lake, film actress. Vermont, 1973; Dame Flora Robson, actress. Brighton, 1984; Jimmy Edwards, comedy actor, 1988.

Lincoln's Inn

The following have officers for 1993: Treasurer: Lord Oliver Ayimerton; Immediate Past Treasurer: Mr Michael Corkery, OC: Master of the Library: Sir Christopher Slade; Dean of the Chapel: Mr Oliver Lodge; Keeper of the Black Book: Lord Justice Fox:

Master of the Walks: Mr Justice Gibson. Chelsea Luncheon

Club

The Silver Jubilee Supper of the Chelsea Luncheon Club will be held in London on October 21. neid in London on October 21.
1992. Will ex-members please contact Mrs Hilary Burn-Callander at 8 Walpole Street. Chelsea, London, SW3 4QP.

Latest wills

Mr David Lewis Jones. of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, ho won the 1945 Cheltenham Gold Cup on Red Rover, left estate valued at £127,834 net. Mr Lestie Francis Davey, of Eastbourne, East Sussex, left es-tate valued at £1,493,698 net.



Curators at the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, moving a seascape "German fleet manoeuvres on the high sea" by Carl Saltzman, into a new gallery which opens on July 22. The exhibits, dedicated to twentieth century sea power and including a radar link showing the mass of shipping in the English Channel, are all set within the reconstructed steel bows of a warship

Appointments

Latest appointments include:

Mr Andrew Burns to be Ambassador to Israel, in succession to Mr M. Elliott, who has taken up a further Diplomatic Service

Admiral Sir Benjamin Bathurst to be Chief of Naval Staff and First Sea Lord next February, in succession to Admiral Sir Julian Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael

Graydon to be Chief of the Air Staff in November, in succession to Air Chief Marshal Sir Peter Harding. Admiral Sir Jock Slater to be

Vice-Chief of the Defence Staff in January 1993, in succession to Admiral Sir Benjamin Bathurst. Admiral Sir Brian Brown to be a member of the Council of the Officers' Pensions Society. Mr Christopher Jones to be President of the Royal Institution

of Chartered Surveyors. Legal Mrs Ann Ramsay and Ms Jessica Martha Burns to be full-time Chairmen of Social Security Appeal Tribunals, Medical Appeal Tribunals and Disability Appeal

Tribunals. Mrs Ramsay will sit in the Midlands region and Ms Burns in Scotland, from October Mrs Catherine Jeanette Tribe to be a full-time Chairman of Indus trial Tribunals. from August 1.

assigned to the Bury St Edmunds region and to sit at Bedford. Luncheons

HM Government Mr Malcolm Rifkind. QC, Secretary of State for Defence, was host yesterday at a luncheon held at Lancaster House in honour of Herr Volker Ruhe, German Minister for Defence.

Rotery Chib of London Mr Neville Shulman was inducted as President of the Rotary Club of London at a function meeting held yesterday at the Marriott Hotel. Among those present were:

The Ambassadors of Switzerland. Bul-garla and Senegal, Sir Sigmund Stern-berg, Mr and Mrs. Ken Standish, Mr Nick Tarsh, Mrs. N. Shulman. Mr A Shulman and Mr L Shulman.

Archaeology

Revealing Civil War hardware

BY NORMAN HAMMOND ARCHAEOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

THE Civil War seems too solidly historical an event for archaeology to add much to our understanding, but excavations over the past few decades have shown just how much of the hardware of the conflict has survived to complement the software of documentary sources.

Major fortifications can still be seen around Newark. Nottinghamshire, where not only the Royalist town defences remain but also some of the Parliamentarian slege works. The Royalists added a new perimeter to the crumbling medieval walls in 1642, with outlying forts beyond: one of these. The Queen's Sconce, is "arguably the most impressive Civil War earthwork in Britain", according to a new booklet by Peter

Harrington. The Sconce is a star-shaped fort with four bastions covering 1.2 hectares (three acres) and surrounded by a large ditch up to 21 metres wide and 4.6 metres deep. It was probably palisaded, and the rampans rise to a height of over seven metres.

Medieval castles were refurbished in many parts of England. At Sandal, Yorkshire, the towers were cut down to form gun platforms: subsequent bombardment during the three months' Parliamentary siege in 1645 reduced the medieval walls to foundation level. At Chester, Barnaby's Tower still bears the marks of cannonballs,

while at Corfe Castle in Dorset the walls were partly demolished, burying a rich trove of artefacts ranging from spurs and a musket rest

to lead shot. Excavations on these and less spectacular sites have revesled the remains of siege trenches, mines and countermines, and at Hull, the foundations of the Beverley Gate, where Sir John Hotham's denial of entry to King Charles I in 1642 opened the hostilities of the ensuing decade.

cemetery has been found so far, at Abingdon, Oxfordshire (The Times, May 30, 1989), but battlefield burials were reportedly found at Marston Moor and Naseby last century. More recent field-walking at Marston Moor, carefully plotting the locations of musket balls and horseshoes turned up by the plough, has enabled archaeologists to determine the course of the action from the locations of the relics and

their relative densities. The reconstruction of the Battle of the Little Big Horn in the United States has shown how illuminating such an approach can be: unfortunately many English Civil War battlefields have been scavenged by treasure hunters with metal detectors, removing much vital evidence. Source: Peter Harrington: Archaeology of the English Civil War, Shire Books £3.95

Today's royal engagements

The Duke of Edinburgh, patron and trustee, will attend receptions at St James's Palace at 11.30 and 4.00 for young people who have reached the gold standard in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award; and will attend a dinner at the Royal Lancaster Hotel at 7.30.

The Prince of Wales, as President of the Prince's Youth Business Trust, will visit the PYBT Trade Fair 92, part of the International Autumn Fair at the National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham, at 10.40; and, as Patron of the Henry Doubleday Research Association, will open the National Organic Education Centre at Page German Property of the Page Centre Page C at Ryton Gardens, Ryton-on-Dunsmore, Coventry, at 1.50. The Princess of Wales, as Patron

of the Benesh Institute, will attend a gala given by the Australian Ballet at the London Coliseum at

The Princess Royal, as President of the Missions to Seamen, will attend the annual meeting at St 11.30. The Duke of Gloucester will visit the Royal Show of the Royal

Agricultural Society of England at the National Agricultural Centre. Stoneleigh, Warwickshire, at 10.30. The Duke of Kent will present the

Labatt's Safety Award for 1992 at Grosvenor House at 6.15. The Duchess of Kent will open the 26th British Congress of Ob-stetrics and Gynaecology at the University of Manchester In-

stitute of Science and Tchnology (UMIST) at 3.55. Princess Alexandra, as Chancellor of Lancaster University, will preside at a ceremony for the conferment of degrees at the university at 11.30.

Reception

HM Government Mr Ian Lang, Secretary of State for Scotland, was host at a reception given by Her Majesty's Government last night at Edinburgh Castle to mark the plenary conference of the British-Irish Inter-Parliamentary Body.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr M. Dempsey and Miss N. Gilbertson The engagement is announced between Michael Dempsey and Nicci Gilbertson.

PETER TRIEVNOR

Licutenant D.G. Fields. RN and Miss J.J. Ormerod

The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr G. Fields, of Falmouth and Mrs Beverley Knights, of Mawgan, Cornwall, and Jessica, daughter of Brigadier and Mrs Denis Ormerod, of High Halden, Kent.

Mr J.H. Mackay and Mrs B. Meadows

The engagement is announce heween James, son of Mrs. H.W.O. Bradley, of Charring-worth Grange, near Chipping Campden, Gloucestershire, and Jane Meadows, widow of Brian Meadows, of Bedford Gardens, London, W.8.

Mr A.B.N. Post and Miss E.S. Whiles The engagement is announced between Andrew, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Colin Peal, of Blackmore End. Essex, and Elen. younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Stuart Whiles, of Rossett, Clwyd,

Mr J.F. Roffe-Silvester and Miss J.J. Turner

The engagement is announced between Francis, son of the late Mr Michael Roffe-Silvester and of Mrs Michael Roffe-Silvester, of Reaphay, Somerset, and Jennifer. daughter of Mr and Mrs A.C. Turner, of Perth, Western

and Miss C.J. Dickenson and Miss C.J. Dickenson
The engagement is announced between Trevor, son of Mr and Mrs Martin Sands, of Empingham. Rutland, and Caroline, daughter of Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs David Dickenson, of Lymington, Hampshire.

Mr P.J. Wood
and Miss L.D. Pirmie
The engagement is announced
between Philip. younger son of
Mr and Mrs Godfrey Wood, of
Penmon. Isle of Anglesey, and
Lois, youngest daughter of RearAdmiral and Mrs Ian Pirmie, of
High Nibthwaite, Cumbria. High Nibthwaite, Cumbria.

Mr R.A. Yates and Miss S.M. Fraser

The engagement is announced between Robin, son of Mr and Mrs Eric Yates, of Court Baron, Devon, and Sophia, daughter of the late Mr Sandy Fraser and of Mrs Sandy Fraser, of Moniack,

Marriage. Mr M.A.S. Walker

and Miss C.A. Webb The marriage took place on Saunday, July 4, in Winchester, of Mervyn Walker, son of Mrs E. Walker and the late C.J. Walker, of Southampton, to Miss Caroline Webb. daughter of Mr and Mrs L. Webb. of Chandlers Ford,

Battle of Britain Thanksgiving Service

The Ministry of Defence announces that the Battle of Britain service of thanksgiving and rededication will be held in Westminster Abbey at 11.00am on Sunday, September 20, 1992. Applications for tickets,

accompanied by a stamped self-addressed envelope, should reach the Ministry of Defence, Pid(Cer) (RAF), Room 344, Adastral House, Theobalds Road, London, WC1X SRU. by not later than August 7, 1992. Applications received after this date may prove unsuccessful. If the demand for tickets proves excessive, it may be necessary to restrict issue to a maximum of two per applicant. To assist with seating in the Abbey, applicants are requested to state which of the following categories is appropriate: en-Bat-tle of Britain aircrew; relatives of

battle: past or present members of the Royal Air Force and its Reserve Forces: members of the general public. Tickets and a note on dress and timings for the occasion will be Issued two or three weeks before the service. Applications are not to

aircrew who lost their lives in the

Mill Hill School

Foundation Day was celebrated on Saturday, July 4. Lord Slynn of Hadley, Chairman of the Court of Governors, presided. The Guesta of Honour were Gayle Humicum who presented the prizes, and Simon Jenkins, the Editor of The Times. (OM), who gave the Address. Other speakers were the dress. Other speakers were the Head Master. Alastair Graham, who is retiring this term after thirteen years in post, and the Senior Monitor, Nicholas Tandy (Priestley). The Ramsay Award was made to the Senior Monitor Emeritus, Francesco Da Re (Bur-

Earlier in the term competitive Entrance awards were made to:

Mark Walker, Grosvenor House, Harrogate (the Ousey Major Scholarship):
Matthew Frite, Betmoat (Minor Scholarship): Pablo Martin, Hendon Frep (Tanner Award): Major Erhlbition: Sandeep Dhama (Belmoni, James Gouma (Mill Hill): Enox Erhlbition: Manthew Welck (Beimont, Erhbition: Manthew Welck (Beimont, Erhbition: Sundeep Raira and Mark Dweck (Beimont), David Wakeling (Mill Hill): Gundry Music and Academic Exhibition: Barry Green: Music Erhlbition: Philippe Bunca (both Baimont).

Dinners

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award. World Fellowship HRH the Duke of Edinburgh. KG, KT, attended a dinner at St James's Palace last night for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, World Fellowship. The Duke of Edinburgh. Mr Eric Koops and Sir Geoffrey Leigh spoke on this

Society of Friends of the Lotus Children Mr Sarosh Zaiwalla, President of

the Society of Friends of the Lotus Children, a Charity for the Street Children of India, welcomed the Children of India, welcomed the guests at the inaugral charity gala dinner held at Grosvenor House on Saturday evening, July 4, 1992. The principal guest of honour was the Right Hon Paddy Ashdown, MP. Mr Keith Vaz, MP, and Mr. Vijay Amrimaj conducted the charity auction. Mr Ashtabh Bachchan, the Indian film the proposed a special the film star, proposed a special vote of thanks to Mrs Surina Narula and the other organisers. The chairman, Mr Vaughan Johnson, read a speech by Liz Num the founder.

Queen Charlotte's Birthday Ball 1992

The Duchess of Somerset will be guest of honour at Queen Char-lone's Birthday Ball to be held on Monday, September 14, 1992, at Grosvenor House. Friends of Queen Charlotte's Hospital are asked to support this event. All proceeds from the Birthday Ball will go towards vital research and equipment for the Hospital. Tickets at £125.00 each to include a champagne reception and three-course dinner with wine may be obtained from the Birthday Ball Office, Queen Charlotte's Hos-pital, Goldhawk Road, London, W6 OXG (Telephone: 081 741 4653). . . .

Calouste Sarkis Gulbenkian

To mark the 37th Armiversary of the death of Mr Calouste Sarkis Gulbenkian, a memorial service will be held at The Armenian Church of Saint Sarkis, Iverna Gardens, London, W8, on Sunday, July 12, at noon, after the celebration of the Divine Liturgy which will commence

DEATHS

WHITELOCKE - On July 5th

WHITELOCKE - On Juty pun 1992 in Ordord, Madetine 1992 in Ordord, Madetine inte Shankland), wife of the late Hugh Whitelocke FRCS. All enquiries to Arthur W. Bruce Lid. (1986) 310907. WILLIAMSON - On July 4th, aged 95. Essa unite Cairns), widow of Roy, much loved mother of Nigel, grandmother and great-posse no

mother of Nigel gradimother and great-gradimother Please no flowers donations instead to Carcii Couth. 2 Priory Road. Kew. Richmond, TW9 3DC. Enquiries to (081) 891-3017

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Telephone 071 481 4000

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Telefax 071 782 7827

no word of arrogance pass your lips, for the Lord is a God who knows: he governs what people do I Samuel 2:3

ADASONLA - On Friday June 19th in London, to Jane CALLAGHAN - On July 3rd in Cibralian, to Kale innee Coleman: and Bruno, a daughter. Olivia.

CAMPBELL - On June 15th, to Carol time Blake; and George Hugh, a daughter Sarah Victoria, a sister for Emma and Charlotte

CRANFIELD - On July 6th, to Gille (nee Fleming) and Richard, A son, George Charles Archibald Charles Archibald
DICKINSON - On July 2nd, to
Henriella ince Davenports
and Ivor, a daughter, Daisy,
a ssier for India
DICKINSON - On July 4th, to
Simonetta and Alexander, a
Son Robert George
DUNN - On July 4th, to
Altison ince Clarks and
Hugh, a daughter Anna
Katherine Harrison, a sister
for Wilham.

for Wilham. GARMESON - On July 3rd, jo Kalherine (nec Peers) and lan, a son, Thomas Charles. a brother for Laura JONATHAN - On July 2nd, to Holen (new Sherry) and David, a daughter Lowry Helen, a sister for Sophie and Elizaboth.

KEARNS - On June 11th 1992, at Ascol. to Tracs tree Barber: and Robert, a son. Thomas Edward MORLEY - On June 30th 1992, to Rupert and Julia mee McLintock, a bequifful daughter and granddaughter, Jessea Elizabeth Catherine, PARTINGTON - On July 3rd at West Cumberland Hospital at West Cumberland Hospital to Bridget triee Hodgson! and Andrew, a son, Thomas Gabriel Hodgson, a brother for Henriella and Olivia REDMOND - On July 4th, at the Humana Hospital Wel luigion, to Brian and Andi. a daughter, Hayley Cathern RICHELL - On July 4th, to Jill (nee Coultard) and 4ten, a son, Thomas James, a prother for Joanne. BIRTHS

SANSONE - On July 3rd, at the Humana Hospital Wel-lington, to Carlo and Maria Anionietta, a son, Claudio SPURLING - On July 2nd a Versailles, France, to Luiu and Julian a son, Harry Alexander, a prothet for Johnny and Freddle STAGG - On July 6th, in Brussels, to Arabella and Richard, a daughter, imogen STANDISH - On June 17th. io Reberca (nee Lewis) and Nigel, I son. Marcus Cameron TANNER - On July 1st 1992.

to Johanna (nee Turner) and Richard, a daughter, Mexandra Anne, TAYLOR - On June 26th at Derby City Hospital. to Deborah one Holthami and Stephen, a daughter. Harriet Abigall Ann a sister for Sarah and Jonathan. VENN - On July 2nd 1992. 10 Julie thee Boylands and Christopher, Isoln sons, Alexander and James WALSH - On July 2nd. to Emma unce Cooper) and Peter, a son, Jack Timethy

WHYTE On July 6th 1992 to Julia mee Blount) and Robin. a son Alexander Henry, a brother for Edward WYLIE - On June 30th to Milly thee Bathers and Seamus, a daughter. After Elizabeth. MARRIAGES

TSCHALKOWSKY:FRATER On June 13th 1992, at Lady St. Mary's Church Wareham, John and Louise **GOLDEN** ANNIVERSARIES

FRASER CAMPBUL KENNETH - On July 7th 1942 al Christ Church, Loch-gilphead, Hamish to Anne. KELLOCK-POLLARD-LOWSLEY - On 7th July 1942 at Holy Trinity Church, St Marylebone, Donald and Anne Now at Edbrook House, Wotton-under Edge, Glos

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GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES POWELL:JOHNSON - On July 7th 1942, at Exeter, b. Ret. M.W. Powell and Rev

Johnson, William nd Powell is Artil n Johnson Now at ad, Brenlwood, SAYER:BROS - On July 711 1942. at Si Andrews, Fife John Druce Sayer to Louis Mary Bros Now a Easterion, Willshire. DEATHS

BECKETT - On July 2nd
1992 peacefully at Farnham
Hospital, William Lestic
briot of husband of Dorollo
faither of Paul and grandad of
Tim. Requiem Service of
Church of Our Lady, Fleet,
Hants, on Frida, Juli, 10th
at 11 am Flowers has be
sent to at & Goddard Ld,
Kem Road, Fleet (0252)
616431.

CARTER - On July 4th

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CARTER - On July ally, gently, all home in Dursel of cancer. Emma 38, wife of Chrislopher and mother of Thomas, Mastair, Nicholas and Rory: Funeral 4 pm Friday July 10th at west Stafford. No flowers any denations to West Dorset Macmillan Service (/o Crissby's, 16 Princes St. Dorchester Tel: 0305-262338

262338
CHITTICK On July 3rd, peacefully at The Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guildford Sylvia Elizabeth unce Exansi wife of the Iale Hubert Chillick, much foxed and greedly missed by family and friends. Funeral Service at Guildford Crematorium on wednesday July 8th at 11 30 am Family flowers only please but it desared donallions to RNLI or Missions to Seamen r/o Pimms Funeral Services. Mary Road, Guildford, let, 10483167394 Gulldford, lel. 104831 67394
GRESP! - On July 4th,
suddenly, Caesar James
Funeral Service at Golders
Green Crematorium on
Fridas July 10th at 11 20
am. Donations if destret to
National Ashima Campaign
Providence House.
Providence Place N1 ONT. DEATHS

Nursing

EDMONDS - On July 3rd.
pearefully al Abbey Chase.
Chertsey. Gwendolene, aged
97. tery much loved 'Aunile
Gwen' In numerous
Wargenis Edmiends and
friends A wonderful.
amusing and courageous
lady Funeral at Wohlnd
Crematorium al 2 pm Ffiday
July 10th July 10th

July 10th

FEILDEN - On July 2nd, at home in Stiffney, Francis Antonia, aned 72 years belowed husband of Margaret lowing father of Altson, Liza Humphroy and Randle Loving grandfather of Nicholas Inshua and Vaxwell Will be dearly missed Loved and remembered always Funcial Service will be held at SS John & Mary Church, Stiffney, on Wednesday July 3th at 12 noon Flowers or desired donations for The British Heart Foundation (6) ST Sulton Funcial S.T. Sutton Funeral Director, Well-next-the Sea

Noriotk

HALLAM - On July 3rd, pracefully at home after a 15 month illness bravely borne, Robert aned 55 years Dearly loved husband of victime, faller in Lyan and Mark lather in law of Caroline and Daniel and triend to all who knew him He will be sorely missed funeral Service at 5t Vary's Church. Church Hill, Caterham on Thursday July 9th at 11.30 am, all friends welcome. Followed by cremation at The Surrey and Sussex Crematorium, Familiand close friends only Flowers and donations for Dr. Brada'. Brain Turnour Research Fund. Roy at Marsden Hospital, Sutton, c/o W.A. Truelove & Son Ltd. F/D. 187 Croydon Road, Calerham, Surrey CR3 opt.

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DALTON - On July 2nd.

peacefully at home after a brave battle against cancer. aged 68. Geoffrey Herbert. dearly loved husband and faither Funeral at 11 o'clock July 3th at Reading Crematorium, Henley Road. Caversham No flowers. donations to Maximulan Nursing Marke Curle Fund, 3B Marke Square, Crewkerne. grandmother, great-grandmother and sister family, flowers only but donations, if desired, to Marie Curie Fund, 38 Market Square, Crewkerne, Somersel Funeral al Yeovill Crematorium, Bunford Lane, on Friday July 10th at 12 30pm

HOPE - On July 3rd, Margaret Pamela, pegrefully after a long fillness, need 76 Funeral Service at St James the Less, Pangbourne, on Thursday July 9th at 2 30 pm No flowers donallons to Jockey Club Charitable Trust 42 Portman Square London WIH OEN ISHKANIAN - On July 5th 1992. Taknuhi al Runnymede Hospilai

ISHKANIAN - On July 5th 1902. Taknum all Runnymede Hospital Chertsey, peutrfully in her sleep after a long illans. Adortion motiver of Hrani Isabel, Lucy Virginia and grandmother of Ben and Suranne Funeral Service at Starkis Armeniam Church, it erna Gardens, Kertsington, at 11 am Friday July 10th, followed by interment in St. Judy's Cemeters, Engletield Green Surrey. Ul flowers and enquiries to F. Harmson & Son. 40 Hazieset Road Engletield Green. Surrey. 107841-432163.

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KEARNS - On Friday July
Srd 1992, peacefully during
his afternoon rest Edward
Denis, born 1997 Devoled
hisband of Beryl and much
loved (atter and
grandfalber, Firmeral at All
Saints Church, Freshwater,
iste of Wighl, on Friday July
10th at 12 noon Farnals
flowers only but donallons it
desired to The Foundation
for the Study of Infant
Deaths 4/5 Cross enor
Place, London SW1X 7HD LEVERKUEHN On June 30th 1992. Certainner Dulturih: dearh loved mother of Louise mother; in law of ian, and wandmother of Cauriona and Angus Furera: to take place in Hamburg, July 9h. DEATHS

LEVESON GOWER - On July
5th 1992, peacefully al
home. Thomas Christopher
Gresham, Funeral Service at
Titses Church on Monday
July 13th. Enquiries to
Ebbull Funeral Service. High
Street, Limpsfield, let. (0883)
713767

McEUEN - On July 4th, peacefully at home, Ebba Margand, widow of Ronnie and los ing mother of Margaret, David and Duncan, Funeral at St. Andrew's, Harm Common Surrey, at 2,30 pm on Tuesday July 14th, Family flowers only but donations to Viarie Curie Memorial Foundation and Marmillan Nurses Enquiries to 3 H kens on, jet 1071/1937-0757

MARTIN - On July 4th 1992. peacefully at St. Johns Hospice, Lancaster, Ll. Cot. David Marilin of the Kings Own Royal Border Regiment and of Fern Collage, Holme, Dearly, loved hisband of Almon. Dear father of Christopher and Johns A Boving organization. ioning grandfather of Victoria, Sarah, Sophie, Comma, Peter and Jack Funeral Service at the Priory, Loncaster, on Friday July 10th at 1215 pm, followed by Cremation at followed by cremation at Lancaster and Morecambe Crematorium. Donations. If desired, to St Johns Hospire. Lancaster c/o Edward Duckeli & Son, Greenside, Holme, Carnforth, Lancs

LANGSTON - On July 5th 1992, peacefully after a short litness, Henry Heber, aged 86 years, of Albury Relitred Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon of Southampton and Winchester Hospital Groups and of The Lord Mayor Treloar Hospital Alton and Life Vice President of B.M.A Beloved husband of Madge, father of Legh and Julia and grandpa Fungrai Service on Thursday July 9th al 5t James' Church, Store at Jorn. Family flowers only. Donations for a fund yet to be decided, may be sent to Sherfock and Sons. Trelis House, Nursing Home, Yonne, widow of Edward and Victoria.

to Dunnings Funeral Services, 2 Church Close, Andover, Hampshire SP10 10P

August 14th 1992.

PORTER - On July 3rd.
peacefully in hospilal.
Barbara Helen inee Millish.
widow of John. mother of
Sarah, grandmother of Jane,
Funeral at Putney Vale Crematerium. Friday July 10th
at 3 30 pm. Flowers or donations for NSPCC may be sent
to Ashion Funeral Services.
140 Alexandra Road, SW19.

POWMALL 140 Alexandra Road, SW19.

POWNALL - On July 3rd, Margaret (Peggy) aged 91. much loved widow of Cecil Pownall, mother of Henry and John. grandmother, great grandmother and mother-in-law Cremation at Guildford Crematorium at 11 30 am Friday July 10th; at her request family only and no flowers please.

and Victoria.

MOYNE - On July 6th. at Biddesden. Bryan Walter Guinness, 2nd Baron Moyne aged 86. Funeral at St. James's Church. Ludeershall, on Thursday July 9th at 2 pm Instead of flowers cheques could be made out to Countess of Brecknock House, and sent to Dunnings Funeral Services. 2 Church Close.

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PINCHIM - On July 4th, Cdr.
Henry Edward Pinchin, R.N.
IPC'di of West Witterung,
West Sussex, Private
rremation at Chichester
Crematorium on Friday July
10th with Thanksgiting
Service to be held at the
Parish Church of St Peter
and St Paul, West Wittering,
at 11 30 am on Friday
August 14th 1992.
PORTER - On July 3cm

ROBARTS - On July 4th in St. Mary's Hospital. Paddington.

ROSSE - On July 3rd, peacefully at Nymans, Anne. Countess of widow of Michael: deeply lose of by her three sons and all her lamily. Funeral at the Church of St Martin. Womerstey. Doncaster, Yorks, (9th at 2 pm. TAPPEN - On July 4th, peacefully at daughter Pal's home. Audrey Forsythe Tappen iformerly Bullers, of Short Hills. New Jersey, widow of Henry. Private cremation. Family flowers only, donalions it desired to Greathouse. Cheshire Home. Kinglon Langley, Chippenham. Wits.

THOMAS - On July 2nd, pracefully at home in Oxfordshire after a courageous fight. O.C. Og. A beloved son, husband, father. friend and colleague. Enquiries to Sal. or Barbara, who send you their tote and sympathy.

VERNON - On July 5th.
Reverend Charles (Bill),
peacefully Betot ed husband
of Marlorie, sadly missed by
family and friends, Funeral
Service at All Saints Church.
Waldron, on Monday July
13th all 2.50 pm, followed by
cremation at Tumbridge
Wells, Family flowers only.
Donations to Royal Maraden
Lung Cancer Research Fund.
London SW3 6.J.

WILLIAMS - On July 4th 1992. Elizabeth Mariorie (Beity). formerty of Weybridge, Surrey much lot ed wife of the late Geotifrey mother of Geoffrey and Makcolm, mother-in-lare of Sue and Uschi and grandmother of Vanesse, Philip James Katherine and Edward. Funeral Service at St Mary, Ostlands, on Thuryday July 9th at 1.30 pm.

DEATHS WALKER On June 30th, Islan Montetth, tragically, the acidmbing accident in Scotland, much loved husband of Clare: father of Kirsty and Andrew, son of Louie and the Isla Torn: brother of Alan, Murray and Craeme. Service and committed at Dundee Creenatorium, 3 pm Friday-July 10th, A service followed by Islandard.

Crematorium. 3 July 10th. A ser-by interment of by interment of ashes at 50 Mark's Church. Purley, Surrey. Bl 3 pm Monday July 13th. No Rowers by mountain Restue c/o Donald. Cameron & Son Funeral Director. Carnaby Lodge. Dingwall. Ross-shire. (0349) 65189.

SMAKERIEY - A Service of Thanksplving for the life of Barbara Shakertey will be held at St David's Church, Moreton in Marsh, Glos, on Friday July 24th at 2.30 pm. PERSONAL APPEARS IN LIFE & TIMES SECTION PAGE 9

5574-4-7**P**X Auswers from page 20

IPSEDIXITIST (c) A dogmatic doctrinarian, a pig-headed controversalist stiff in opinions, always in the wrong, from the Latin last dear; "he said it hisnself": "Medievally sworn in the old ipsedixitist tradition."

PARANYMPH (a) A bridesunaid or groomsman, from the Greek pura beside + aumphe maid or bride: "Lacette inraed out to be, against all reason and will, the impeccable paranymph." CATENARY

(c) A chain, a curve formed by a chain hinging freely from two fixed points which are not in the same vertical line, from the Latin Categor's chain. TESSITURA

(a) Distinct from the range of a some necessarily conditioned by the compass of the voice for which it is written, it is the general position, or he of the vocal lines. This is called the territory, and Indian word meaning texture.

Civil Service job connected

and other scarce resources,

When the war was over he

served successively as record-er of Penzance, Bridgewater,

Plymouth and Portsmouth

and was also a deputy chair-

man of Middlesex Quarter

Sessions, of Hampshire

Quarter Sessions and a chair-man of the Quarter Sessions

In 1967, after seven suc-

cessful years in silk, he was

appointed as Additional

Judge at the Central Criminal

Court. It was, however, char-

acteristic of his love for the

Western Circuit that he chose

to return to it when the Cir-

cuit Bench was created in

1972. He returned to the

Bench in Portsmouth, Win-

chester and the Isle of Wight.

He played a full part in the

various professional bodies with which he had contact. In

1965 he became a bencher of

Lincoln's Inn; he served for a

time as a member of the

enate of the Irms of Court: he

held the Western Circuit of-

fice of wine treasurer for three

years in the early 1950s. From 1960 to 1963 he was

chairman of the Mental

Health Tribunal (Wessex

The years 1965 to 1971

saw him devoting much of his

time to the chairmanship of

the Departmental Committee

on Coroners and the Certifi-

cation of Death. It has been a

matter for some frustration

within the legal professsion that the Brodrick Report was

not implemented as the co-

herent whole that its princi-

pal progenitor had perceived.

in 1982 Norman Brodrick

retired from the Circuit

Bench. He became honorary

legal adviser to the Associ-

ation of Parish Councils and continued his lifelong interest

in the work of the probation

service through the Hamp-

shire Care Trust of which he

was chairman. As a judge he

had served on the probation

committee for Hampshire

and he was also much in-

volved in setting up the community service scheme in the

Doring his retirement he

had time not only to listen to

Elgar and Wagner but to

terd his beautiful garden at

Rogate which was open to the

He is survived by his wife,

Ruth, three sons (one of

whom is His Honour Judge

As a community welfare officer in Hertfordshire dur-

ing the war she set up play

centres, then a novel concept,

for the children of women

working in factories. Return-

ing to London at the height of

the V1 and V2 raids; she worked simultaneously for

the St George's Fund for Sail-

ors and the Girls Training

train as a probation officer.

Thus, when she was already

in her fifties she embarked on

what was to prove the most

useful and the most arduous

She retired from the proba-tion service in 1965 but was

recalled for a further two

Subsequently, Marjorie Watts remained indefatig-

ably active in PEN, coming to

be regarded as the PEN ar-

chive in her own person.

There was hardly a writer she

Into her nineties her mem-

She is survived by a daugh-

ory remained acute and her

period of life.

had not met.

character forceful.

ter and two sons.

In 1951, she decided to

Brodrick) and a daughter.

public each year for charita-

ble purposes.

MARJORIE WATTS

of the Isle of Wight.

HIS HON NORMAN

BRODRICK

OBITUARIES

His Honour Norman

Brodrick, QC, former cir-cuit judge, died on June 27 aged 80. He was born on

February 4, 1912.

THE Brodrick report, when

it came out in 1971 after a

six-year inquiry, was the most

authoritative study on coro-

ners' powers in modern times

and set a benchmark for sub-

sequent change. But it has

been implemented only piece-

taking judge who served in the Central Criminal Court

and on the Western Circuit,

recommended the reorgan-

isation of coroners courts

and their powers, put forward

the need for guidelines on

organ transplant cases and

improved rules for death cer-

tification. The report pro-

posed abolition of the

necessity for a jury in certain

categories of cases and rec-

ommended doing away with

the jury's power to name

people who it concluded had

committed murder, man-

slaughter or infanticide. Nor,

in the report's view, should coroners be obliged to com-

mit named people for trial.

The 418-page study done under Brodrick's chairman-

ship of a departmental com-

mittee was a high point in his

career and a mark of his

diligence, even if the report

took longer to produce than

Norman Brodrick was edu-

rated at Charterhouse and

Merion College, Oxford. He was called to the Bar by Lin-

coln's Inn in 1935 and joined

warrime service in the Inns of

nosed as having flat feet and

went to the Ministry of Eco-

nomic Warfare. There he was

involved in work relating to

the German Enigma coding

machine and the decrypting

of messages. For many years

Marjorie Watts, probation

officer, daughter of the

founder of International

PEN and herself PEN Sec-retary, 1922-27, died on

June 24 aged 94. She was born on December 11,

1898.

NOT many people have published their first book at the

age of 88. Marjorie Watts

wrote a life of her mother, C.

A. Dawson Scott, the "lovable

pest" (as Rebecca West once

called her), who was the

founder of the writers' organ-

Marjorie Watts had always

wanted to be a doctor; but her

mother decreed, quite wrong-ly, that she lacked the intelli-

gence and that her destiny

must be marriage. Marjorie

achieved this in 1925 with

Arthur Watts, a Punch artist.

Tragically he was killed ten

years later in a KLM air disaster in Switzerland, leav-

ing Marjorie pregnant and with two small children. With

extraordinary courage, she

then set about becoming both

breadwinner and single

isation International PEN.

had been hoped:

the Western Chunt.

A STATE OF

Norman Brodrick, a pains

are, of course, other conduc-

tors, we shall not find anyone

to fill his own particular and

1T IS with gratitude that one

reads, hears and sees the vari

ous tributes to Sir Charles

Groves. There is, however, a

part of Sir Charles work not

yet greatly outlined and which should not go unrec-

orded and appreciated. It is

his work with amateur choral

conducted both the Cumbria

Rural Choirs and the Kendal

Mary Wakefield Festival on

many occasions. He prepared

these gatherings of scattered villages and small Lakeland

towns with a skilful mix of no

nonsense purposefulness pep-

pered with encouragement

guaranteed to elicita response

the choirs had not thought

possible. We are all forever

indebted to him for the plea-

sure and improvement of our

I was taught to sing at my

mother's knee, in the church

choir and at infant and junior

school. With others I worry

that these elements are not

now as readily and universal-

ly available as they should be

if we are to keep our choral

The singing voice and the pleasures it gives are trans-

ported easily, everywhere mam camp fire singsongs to

the most skilful choral

Philip Shingler

societies up to strength.

singing that he gave us.

Sir Charles trained and

societies all over Britain,

English Sinfonia

APPRECIATIONS

Sir Charles

I add to your excellent obitu-

ary of Sir Charles Groves

Eight years ago the players of the English Sinfonia.

which was going through one

of the crises which often beset

British orchestras, invited Sir

Charles Groves to be their

president and artistic advisor.

Charles readily agreed, took a

great interest and conducted

the orchestra on many occa-

sions - including a complete

cycle of all ten Beethoven

symphonies given in four

days in Nottingham to cele-

achieving a quite unique rap-

One result was that he had,

at last, the opportunity to record with the English Sin-

fonia many of the great classi-

cal works of Mozan. Haydn

and (finally as it turned out) a

complete cycle of Schubert

symphonies. These record-

ings received wide critical ac-

claim and I know that they

gave him as much musical

satisfaction as he had ob-

tained from his performance

of Elear. Delius and the other

large-scale British composi-

tions for which he will always

Some years ago i remem-

ber the distinguished conduc-

tor Rudolf Kempe (so much

admired by orchestral players

in England) discussing with

me the attributes of some of

our native conductors. At the

end he said: "Mr Groves -

Ah! He is an excellent con-

ductor — he gets a very good

sound from the orchestra; I

like him to conduct in Mu-

nich." Perhaps this is

because, particularly towards

the end of his life, he acquired

the real secret of conducting.

so well communicated by Sir

Thomas Beecham: he let the

orchestra play.
I am one of many in the

profession who knew that

whatever musical activity I

got involved with I would

receive the whole-hearted

support of Charles. This was

particularly true in the case of

The Rehearsal Orchestra of

which he was president for

some 18 years. He was a dear

friend, and although there

note to your obituary of John

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nor but successful book of his

across France in an open vellow Rolls Bentley with his

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reported to drive the car bet-

ter than Johnnie — but

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Spencer Churchill?

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Sadly these murals were

Catherine Larthe

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was a set of sepia murals in a villa at Pampeloune, near St Tropez in 1937 or 38. He painted them for my parents as "rent" for an unscheduled stay there, having driven

obliterated by various troops occupying the house in the

ON THIS DAY

July 7

This was undoubtedly a great year for British lawn tennis. Fred Perry, playing some brilliant shots, won the men's singles at Wimbledon in straight sets and, at the same tournament, Dorothy Round (1909-1982), the Sunday chool teacher from Dudley, beat Helen Jacobs, of the

singles. PERRY THE NEW

CHAMPION

A fine career was crowned on the Centre Court at Wimble-don yesterday when F. J. Perry beat J. H. Crawford, of Austra-lia, in the final round of the Singles to become virtually the champion of the world. A highsounding title this, but one for which Perry fully proved his fitness by his brilliance against a player who last year took a high place in the company

past giants of the game.
Petry not only won in
straight sets; he took 12 games running from an adversary who often was at his best, and later he withstood an attack which was intensified as defeat game of his life, a game in which was the perfection of a day-dream; and incidentally he brought the championship back to Great Britain, as he helped to win back the Davis Cup last year, after a lapse of a quarter of a century. We must

The following have been elected to fellowship of the Institute of

LORD MOYNE

Lord Movne, 2nd Baron, afterwards he allowed his better known to the many family to believe that his war admirers of his novels and work had been an ordinary verse as the author Bryan Guinness, died yesterday with the allocation of food at Biddesden, Andover, aged 86 . He was born on

October 27, 1905.

LORD Moyne was almost the last of a dying breed: the enlightened, aristocratic man-of-leners, who is both a patron of the arts and artists and a more than merely competent practitioner of them himself. He was a distinguished, modest and much valued man, whose greatest achievements were, perhaps, to convey an instant sense of decency, integrity and loyalty which was rooted in family life and natural responsibility towards a heritage rich in culture and the good and gracious things of life.

He was perhaps a triffe unlucky to be so distinguished a man in capacities other than that of author, for his carefully worked novels deserved more overall attention from critics than they received. His plays were less successful. His verse, though minor, was craftsmanlike and in the early 1930s he built up a considerable reputation as a poet in his own right, even auracting the sympathetic attention of W.

B. Yeats. Bryan Walter Guinness was born on October 27. 1905, the eldest son of the 1st Lord Moyne (created 1932) and Lady Evelyn Erskine, who was the third daughter of the 14th Earl of Buchan. He was educated at Eton and Christ Church, Oxford, where he was a contemporary of Sir Harold Acton and Evelyn Waugh. At Oxford he took a degree in modern lan-

He then joined the Inner Temple, and was called to the Bar in 1930. During the war he served as a captain in the Royal Sussex Regiment. spending most of his time as a liaison officer with the Free



French administration in

Syria.

He succeeded to the title suddenly in 1944 after his father, who was Britain's Minister Resident in the Middle East, was assassinated in Cairo by the Stern Gang three days after Winston Churchill and the Zionist leader Chaim Weizmann had, at Chequers, formulated their plan for the creation of a Jewish state in postwar Pales-

The second Lord Moyne carried many responsibilities: vice-chairman of the board of Guinness, a conscientious back-bencher in the House of Lords, a trustee of both the lveagh and Guinness Housing Trusts, and proprietor of two farms - one at Biddesden House, near An-

dover, and the other at Knockmaroon, on the outskirts of Phoenix Park, Dublin. From 1955 he was a governor of the National Gallery of Ireland. He received two honorary LLDs, one from Trinity College, Dublin (1958) and the other from the National University of Ireland (1961). He was made a Commander of Irish Lights in 1956. He was president of the Irish PEN for a period from 1956.

Bryan Guinness wrote many volumes of poetry and novels, and two plays; he also wrote a number of children's books. His novel A Week by the Sea (1936) was described by The Times reviewer as "a delightfully simple little story with malicious touches", and

psychological precision. He was also an occasional playwright in the light mode. In particular his comedy Riverside Charade received an affectionate welcome from audiences at the Abbey Thearre, Dublin, when it was done there in 1954. This warmth of reception may have had as much to do with its author's position as an old friend and supporter of the Abbey over the years, as with the play itself, though the plot, a delightful farrage of nonsense concerning a fishing hotel which owes its prosperity as much to the manufacture of liquor as to its offerings to sportsmen, was a piece of Irishness dear to the hearts of Dublin audiences. His Collected Poems ap-

them

Lord Movne never valued

took part. Lord Moyne married, first

His heir is his elder son Jonathan Bryan Guinness.

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Heinemann - were always

praised for their subtlety and

peared in 1956, and, once again, the discerning felt that his aristocratic eminence may well have robbed him of deserved attention: this was a modest book, but one of considerable merit.

his position or his wealth for their own sakes; he valued the good he could do through his possession of them. He loved most the simple, rural things of life; and as one who knew him commented, "to see him in either of his homes is to be struck instantly by the enormous importance attached to home in his eyes"; both Biddesden and Knockmaroon were exquisitely kept, and at the regular winter play-readings at the latter men and women of all ranks working at the Guinness brewery

in 1929, Diana Freeman-Mitford; by her he had two sons. This marriage was dissolved in 1934 and in 1936 he married Elizabeth Nelson. by whom he had three sons (one of whom died) and five

FRANCO CRISTALDI

Franco Cristaldi, producer of some of Italy's most notable postwar films, died in Monte Carlo on July 1, following heart surgery, aged 67. He was born in Turin on October 3,

WITH some justification, the French cinema magazine Positif once described Franco Cristaldi as "the conscience of Italian film production". Positif continued: "Without him, one shudders to

imagine what it would be like." When he began feature production in the early 1950s, Cristaldi was one of Europe's youngest producers, and he always made a point of helping other young talents to flex their muscles. His most recent success was the Oscar-winning Cinema Paradiso (1988). Giuseppe Tornatore's warm-hearted tale of a small Sicilian cinema.

Through his Vides production company, Cristaldi helped bring artistic distinction to postwar Italian cinema. He produced the first films of Prancesco Rosi, Elio Petri and, more recently, Maurizio Nichetti; he worked with Visconti, Fellini, Marco Bellocchio and many other key figures. Cristaldi's films won numerous festival awards, and he held important industry positions, variously serving as president of Italy's Film Producers Association and the International Federation of Film Producers. Yet he was hardly known to the general public, except perhaps as the husband of the actress Claudia Cardinale, the sec-ond of his three wives. He brought Cardinale to fame in Vaghe stelle dell'Orsa (Of a Thousand Delights), a contemporary version of the Electra story which won the Venice Festival major prize in 1965. Cristaldi married her the

following year. Cristaldi first studied law at Turin University but cinema soon caught his eye. At the age of 22 he founded his own company, La Vides Cinematografica, specialising at first in documentaries, commercials and newsreel material. By 1953, still in Turin, he had branched out into features, producing La pattuglia



sperduta, a historical drama with nonprofessional actors, shot on neo-realist ines by a novice director, Piero Nelli. The film's reception encouraged

Cristaldi to move south. In Rome, he produced Visconti's updated treatment of the Dostoyevsky' novella White Night (Le notti bianche, 1957); the Neapolitan gangster film La sfida (The Challenge) in 1958, Rosi's first feature; and Mario Monicelli's caper comedy i soliti ignoti (Big Deal on Madonna Street) the same year. Further relations with Visconti were terminated during preparations for Rocco and his Brothers. Cristaldi later spoke of telegrams so heated "I was even surprised the postal service agreed to send them", although they subsequently worked together on Vaghe stelle

Rosi created fewer problems and with him Cristaldi established a particular affinity. He produced many of Rosi's subsequent films, and suggested the

material for the director's breakthrough feature Salvatore Giuliano (1962), a powerful analysis of the Sicilian bandit. Cristaldi also worked well with Pietro Germi; their second collaboration, Divorce Italian Style (1961), won an Oscar for its script and found wide international appeal.

Cristaldi's Vides company widened its activities in 1961 when he acquired land to build a set representing Thebes for Duccio Tessari's spoof costume comedy Arrivano i Titani (Sons of Thunder). Studio buildings were gradually added

During the 1960s, Cristaldi increas ingly spread his wings abroad: there were French co-productions with Louis Malle and Claude Lelouch. But budgets remained modest. Cristaldi never felt tempted by the glossy international ven-tures favoured by other Italian produc-ers, though he did mount one Englishlanguage film, Lady Caroline Lamb (1972), and planned further projects with its writer and director, Robert Bolt,

although none materialised. Cristaldi worked with Louis Malle again on Le Souffle au coeur (1971) and Lacombe Lucien (1974). For Rosi, he produced The Mattei Affair (1972). ucky Luciano (1973) and the exquisite Christ Stopped at Eboli (1979), based on the writer Carlo Levi's years of exile in a southern Italian mountain village.

With Fellini, he produced the rip roaring salute to the director's childhood, Amarcord (1974) and, a decade later, the heavily whimsical And The Ship Sails On (1983). Franco Cristaldi moved into interna-

tional co-production with varied results. The Red Tent, with Soviet backing, was hardly a success. The Name of the Rose. based on the Umberto Eco novel, did

rather better. To the end, Cristaldi chose projects

with care and love. As he told Positif in 1984: "I believe a producer's best and noblest function is to act like an impresario and stimulate a kind of cultural quest, not just passively accept any project that land on your desk."

United States, in the ladies

go back to the playing days of A. W. Gore to find the last British champion, and there has been a mighty host of Dominion, American, and

The match was ended by perhaps the most costly foolfault in the history of Wimbledon. At match point Crawford served and, too eager to run in on the volley, was foot-faulted for the first time; shaken by surprise he put his second service into the net. It was a sad ending to a gallant fight; but how every one wished that the foot-fault judge could have been looking the other way. However, the fact remained that a fault at this moment was no less a fault than at any other, harmless though it It is no new thing for Perry to beat Crawford. During the last

year he has won the American and the Australian championrecently he was yet again the winner at Bournemouth. One great year made Crawford champion of the world; the next has seen him lose all he next has seen him lose all he gained, lacking perhaps a touch of consistency in the delicacy of his strokes. Still, in reaching the final round at Wimbledon he had well won matches that were going against him, in spite of sickness, and against Perry his chances were favoured; you chances were favoured; yet Perry won by the astonishing score of 6-3, 6-0 7-5, without the match ever having been

one-sided.

The day was glorious—
sunny with a light breeze—
and the house was packed,
ready to see a British victory at
last, but in full sympathy with
such a likeable loser. Perhaps no one was prepared for the brilliance of Perry's game. Here was lawn tennis that only wizards play - fast, deep, accurate, and, above all, supremely confident. The num-ber of times he miss-hit an easy ball could be counted on both hands, and his treatment of Crawford's really fine shots may have suggested that the champion was playing below himself. This was not true, at any rate until Perry had obtained a commanding grip of the match. Some of his drives on both hands were bounding in the corners of the base-line in the old familiar way, yet such was Perry's speed of foot that he not only returned the hall but made an attacking stroke

Crawford's leisurely style, for all its grace and poise, seemed to lead to his undoing. Perry was extremely fast about the court, and his shorter back swing allowed him to hit the ball more quickly.

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University news

Oxford Dr George Smith, tutor and fellow in metallurgy at Trinky College, has been appointed to the George Kelley readership in metallurgy.

Dr Roy Pounder, reader, has been appointed to a chair in medicine at the Royal Free Hospital School of Medicine. Bristol

Susanne Haselenove is to be Director of Continuing Education.

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Cannabis thieves plunder drug squad store

By Craig Seton

THE adage that there is never a policeman around when you need one came true for a security guard yesterday. He was the only one on duty at the West Midlands police central drug squad offices in Birmingham when two men overpowered him, tied him up and stole 66 kilos of cannabis resin worth £150,000.

The thieves, their faces hidden by ski masks and one carrying an axe, attacked the civilian guard at the squad's offices at Walsall Road police station. They bypassed two security alarms before breaking into the purpose-built drug store, where they ignored stocks of heroin, crack and cocaine and left with the cannabis. Police believe that they carried it out in sacks and escaped in a car.

The station is used by the drug squad and the stolen vehicle branch. Several dozen officers are based there, but the robbery happened at 2.30am, when it was closed for the night. Police began an investigation into the robbery and ordered a review of sec-urity at the building. Drugs seized by the police are held there pending court cases, and then destroyed.

The force said that the robbers had threatened the guard, fied him up with wire and bound his eyes and mouth with tape before leaving him in a corridor. He was badly shaken but unharmed and had managed partially to free himself and call for help on his personal radio.

A police spokeswoman said it was not known how the robbers had got into the building and avoided triggering two alarm systems linking it to a local police station and the main control room. "The building was locked up and the guard was sitting in his control room when the rob-bers suddenly burst in," she said. "They used tools to get into the drugs store and went straight for the cannabis, although there was a selection of other drugs there.

Private security staff were introduced to guard the drug squad headquarters several cers could spend more time hunting criminals.

black. One wore a black shell suit and spoke with a local accent. The other wore jeans.



Debs' delight: Ziza Gluckstein (left) and Candida Perceval (holding baby). both debutantes, with Student Midwife Naomi Raikes at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, west London, yesterday. Money raised from last year's birthday ball has been spent on medical research

Summit raises hope for trade accord

Continued from page 1 six years or 24 per cent over a longer period. One reason for the stalling of the talks has been the differences within the EC. In May M Delors offered only 15-18 per cent

British officials had clearly been hopeful of some kind of announcement yesterday but as the G7 leaders conducted what the French called "morose" talks about the general state of the world economy British hopes drifted. Offici als indicated that Mr Major was producing a positive ini-tiative and said that both the US and the EC were "ready to

take advantage at once" if the "political push" was there from the G7 leaders on Gatt.
On other topics yesterday the Japanese fell into line with the other six summit leaders on the question of a two-year moratorium on Soviet debt. The Japanese were objecting too to the proposed \$700 million (£368 million) fund proposed to make safe the tions of eastern and central Europe, saying that it was "an area of major disagree ment". The Japanese were hopeful last night that they had won the backing of the

other six for words in the summit declaration backing their claim against the former Soviet Union over ownership of the Kurile islands.

There was wrangling yes-terday too over the wording of a summit declaration on Yugoslavia. The Germans sought words to condemn "murderous acts" by the Serbs. But Britain and others demurred, saying that Croats too had been guilty of brutal behaviour. The wording was passed back from foreign ministers to political directors but was understood to have been agreed last night.
Russia is set to receive the

first \$1 billion of credit from the IMF next month after agreeing to a tough set of economic policies. Finance ministers were discussing the final details last night, and are likely to seek further clari-fications from President Yeltsin when he arrives here. However he had now satisfied the IMF that he is serious about reform and capable of implementing it dearing the way for the credit to be paid qшickiy.

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Hauliers defy riot police

Continued from page I from their banks on returning home. One firm said that

the blockade was costing it more than £10,000 a day.

As M Beregovoy and Jean-Louis Bianco, the transport minister, called more talks with drivers on the new driving licence scheme that prompted the protest, the CNPF. France's main employers' body, said the lorry siege and the farmers' railway blockades were inflicting serious damage. "The French economy is on

the edge of suffocation." it said. "The problems are spreading across the country and into almost all sectors." The plastics, chemical, motor, food and tourist industries were being paralysed. Hotel bookings at resorts had dropped 60 per cent and at the Citroen factory at Aulnay, near Paris, 2,500 workers were to be laid off today.

Paul Quiles, the interior minister, said that 13,000 policemen were deployed to end the action, and that 164 people had been detained and 1,060 had been given summonses for serious traffic

Communists split by court struggle

Continued from page 1 charge from those who can

scarcely be said to have ruled democratically. The commu-nists claim, ironically, given their history, that the court hearing will become a polit-ical trial without foundation

Gennadi Burbulis and Sergei Shakhrai, Mr Yeltsin's representatives in court, will present evidence alleging that the party siphoned off Soviet budget funds to use as its own. As the trial progresses, such accusations seem bound to lead closer and closer to Mr Gorbachev personally. Mr Burbulis hinted last week that the former president had already laid himself open to criminal charges resulting from investigations so far conducted into the workings

Mr Gorbachev, talking darkly of "political black-mail", has accused his critics of trying to make him a scapegoat and has hinted that if he is to face the court, so too should Mr Yeltsin, who he fore his conversion to democracy was a very senior Communist official and quite as "well-informed" as Mr Gorbachev himself about party activities.

of the party.

strators yesterday made clear that they have little love for the former head of their party. At yesterday's rally both Mr Gorbachev and Mr Yeltsin were denounced in bitter terms. Banners caricatured Mr Yeltsin draped in the Star-spangled Banner, obsequiously addressing a group of American senators bearing a striking resemblance to the top-hatted, capitalists so be-loved of Bolshevik propa-

"In the Communist days, we achieved things nobody else did. We beat the Fascists, we were the first in the world to end rationing, we were the first in space. We have lost faith in our way," said Larisa Zabuovna, a former school teacher, clasping a home-made hammer-and-sickle

flag. Beneath the kind of bright red party banner which once dominated Moscow, speakers demanded the return of the Soviet Union, led chants of for hardline Russian rebels in Transdnestr who are fighting a vicious civil war with Moldavian armed forces.

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Political sketch

Virginia bites off all she can chew

The remuneration of dentists is not a noble theme. A variation in the fee for filling cavities does not excite the statesman's imagination, as, for in-stance, the dispatch of a gunboat might. If a clash with dentists provokes any reaction at all, it is likely to be a snigger. For most of Britain, then, yesterday's Commons statement on the remuneration of dentists

was of passing interest.

But for Mrs Virginia

Bottomley it was life or
death. She is the Tories
first woman health secretary. This is her first cabinet post, her first weeks in the job. And now comes her first battle. Dentists want more money. Fate has de-creed that Mrs Bottomley

should turn them away.

She dressed in cerise for the occasion, a sort of mouthwash pink So much rode on this performance. For her to fail her first test would drive a coach and horses through the trea-sury's health expenditure plans. To be beaten, in the first round, and by dentists! No career could recover from such a knock. If a male minister gives in to nurses, it is proof of chival-ry. If a female minister sur-renders to dentists, it shows women are not brui-sers enough for high office.

It was clear right away from Mrs Bottomley's demeanour that she realised this and was brooking no argument. She was in one of her "stuff and nonsense" moods, nostrils flared, very fine. Had you been her patient and whimpered for anaesthetic before a small filling, Mrs Bottomley would have had none of it. Had you failed to floss your teeth as directed, you would have felt her displeasure. "We will take the necessary steps," she said sternly. Pa-tients had a high regard for the dental profession; she trusted they would have no cause to reconsider. Den-tists, she concluded, had better "think long and hard". They earned quite enough as it was - more

than £40,000. "Disgraceful!" shouted her young Tory terriers. Probably dentists all green the country, listening to this on their radios, qualled and realised the game was up. Mrs B sat down.

Such had been her seven ity that Labour's Robin Cook struck, for once, a rather uncertain note, look-

ing crumpled and appear-ing as some sort of a dentists' tout. On these ocdentists' tont. On these oc-casions the House general-ly divides (like the audience in a TV game) into two fac-tions, one shouting "give 'em the money!" and the other shouting "knee 'em in the goolies, Virginia". Mr Cook joined the "give 'em the money" brigade. "If she will not help the dentists, will she help their patients?" he cried. From the cherry-pink corner, Mrs B swung back at him with dental statistics. He sub-

dental statistics. He sub-

sided, perhaps ashamed.
Something very striking
now arose: Liz Lynne (Lib
Dem, Rochdale), in a slimcut white tunic. Miss Lynne, probably the Liberal spokesman on dentistry, has a deep, breathy voice and an exotic manner. A shame that she should have to discuss tooth decay, as though a top hostess in an exclusive health club should moonlight as a dentist's receptionist. In a grave voice, she told us that Britain's dentists were baring their teeth". Poker-

faced, she spoke of a service in "terminal decay". MPs groaned, but were secretly fascinated by Miss Lynne and prepared to hear more of her jokes. Too soon she sat down, leaving Vir-ginia to lift our gaze to the sunlit uplands of a world with "a fair and reasonable future for dentists".

f encouraged, she Awould soon have gone on to an England fit for dentists to live in, an England in which one would ask not what your dentist could do for you, but what you could do for your dentist. "Speaking," said Sir Paul Beresford, who now rose,

as an MP and a dentist There were growls of uspicion. Whose side was this fellow on? Worse, he had an Australian accent. Mrs Bottomley whipped him into line, then turned to deal with the SNP's Margaret Ewing, who raised the spectre of a dental "dictatorship". Jerry Hayes (C. Harlow) restored morale with a dutiful little antidentist rant. The effect was spoilt by Den Dover (C. Chorley), who admitted that he had been talking to

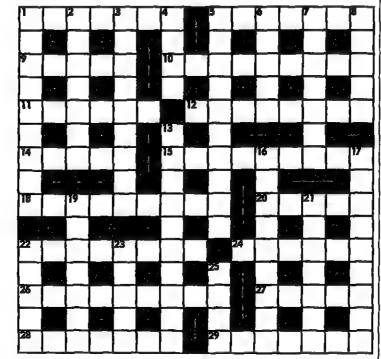
Mrs Bottomicy implied that in future he had better not.

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ACROSS

Woman gets into trouble giving one warning of impending death

- 5 Ruler with Ganymede as a sat-
- 9 Backing given to one man or another (5).
- 10 Defect in church transport? Sure 11 Popular feature, some say, of outstanding work here (2-4). 12 One related to a king, etc -
- nothing less (8). 14 Illegal acquisition of keys in odd
- parts of Tahiti (5). 15 Many a Roman youth initially in the army (9).
- 18 "And none so poor to do him -' (J. Caesar) (9).
- 20 Sounds like one removing water from agricultural machinery (5).
- 22 Man carrying animal walked

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- 24 Orders set out to protect detec tives in retrospect (6).
- 26 Broke nets when manoeuvring by the side of the road (9).
- Muslim legal expert in plain clothes (5).
- 28 Perplexity no advantage in a note quite the opposite (7). 29 Remove bottle from one in Parist Cheek! (7).
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I Silk used in a suit (9).

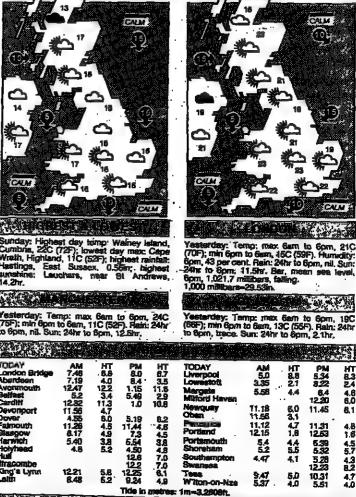
- 2 Curious thing that's worn by a woman in retirement (7).
- Male supporter detending English opener from now on (9).
- 4 Hangman's execution appears to make a deep impression (4).
- 5 Having temporary mast is good reason for postponing the trial! 6 Simple student in distress (5).
- 7 Something fishy about one's sa-fari ending in this country (7). 8 Note about textile fibre (5).
- 13 Sounds real bad, being falsely defamatory (10).16 Orders binding Flanagan, an island investigator (9).
- 17 Settle here or shirk involvement in the old environment (9). 19 Long-serving surgeon has near
- 21 A match for the morning star (7). 22 A sign leading to Kenya (5). 23 Stand to drop a pound (5). 25 Lover's knot, say (4).

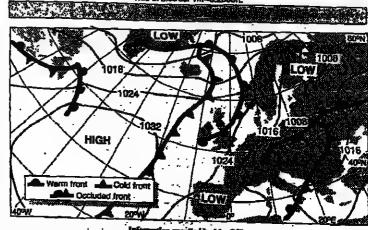
Concise Crossword, page 9 Life & Times section

WEATHER The best of the sunshine is likely to be over south-western WORD WATCHING Britain. Many northern and eastern districts will be cloudy at By Philip Howard times, but there should be some sun nearly everywhere. The IPSEDIXITIST northerly wind over eastern England will be lighter than of late. a. An extreme Anabaptist b. A seditions trailor c. A pig-headed doctrinarian Northern Ireland and western and northern Scotland will become cloudy with patchy rain later. Outlook: patchy rain moving slowly PARANYMPH south-east, but staying mostly dry and warm in south a. A bridesmaid b. A goddess of the seashore c. An embryo butterfly ABROAD AROING BRITAN CATENARY MIDDAY: (=thunder; d=drizzle, fg=log; s=sun; st=stast, sr==snow, f=fair, c=ctoud; r=rain a. A cattery b. Every 500 years c. A hanging chain

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BUSINESS EDITOR JOHN BELL



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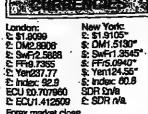
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Pact aims to prevent another BCCI

Bankers tighten rules in fight against fraud

By NEIL BENNETT, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

INTERNATIONAL bank regulators have signed a far-reaching agreement, which is designed to strengthen cross-border banking regulation and prevent a fraud on the scale of the Bank of Credit and Com-International

happening again.
The Basie Committee on Banking Supervision yester-day released a four-point proposal, a year and a day after the closure of BCCI, which sets out minimum standards of the regulation of any internationbank and will ensure that institutions cannot escape eff-

Gerald Corrigan, chairman of the Basic committee and president of the Federal Reserve Barik of New York, said as he announced the agreement that he could not guaraniee it would prevent future

There is no supervision that can be fails afe or provide an assurance against fraud. deceit or criminal behaviour. But we sure can raise the hurdles and that is what we are trying to do."
He said, however, that the

standards would have helped to prevent the \$10 billion fraud at BCCI. There is no question that it would have been a lot hurder for the BCCI thing to go on for as long as it did if these standards had been in place."

The four points in the greement are: All international banking from the country where a bank groups should be supervised is registered, and host regula-

by a home-country authority that capably performs consoli-dated supervision. ☐ The creation of a cross-

border bank must win the consent of the home-country authority and the regulators in the countries where each branch is being set up.

☐ Home country supervisors should have access to information from other countries where their banks operate. Any regulator that decides a foreign bank in its country is not being regulated properly can take action against the bank and even close it if

The terms of the agreement have been left deliberately vague to allow regulators to interpret them to fit individual

In broad terms though, the new standards will force all countries to monitor their banks effectively, or those hanks will suffer restrictions on their overseas branches by foreign regulators.
In Britain, the agreement

gives the Bank of England wide powers against foreignregistered institutions that it believes are not being regulated effectively. The Bank can warn foreign banks and their home regulators to improve standards within a fixed period, and in extreme cases it

The standards are designed to lead to greater co-operation between home regulators, from the country where a bank

tors which inspect each banks' committee hopes this will create an early warning system to spot any financial irregularities.

Mr Corrigan said: "I have enormous confidence that the international community of supervisors will work together in a harmonious manner."

The standards were unanimously agreed by the members of the Group of Ten industrialised nations as well as Switzerland and Luxembourg, which make up the Basle committee. In October the agreement will be put to a meeting of supervisors from more than 100 other

Mr Corrigan said: "We hope and expect that this effort will command broad co-oper-ation." He admitted, though, that many regulators still had inadequate resources to carry out their tasks effectively. "Around the world we are asking a handful of underpaid people to perform mission impossible. Human resources in supervision is a very large question indeed."

Mr Corrigan said, however, that he hoped the agreement would lead to changes around the world to allow regulators to improve access to financial information. "Supervisory authorities should have the capacity to insist on changes in any corporate form which obscures transparency," he

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BY MICHAEL TATE, CITY EDITOR

ARCHIE Norman, 38, the from E948 million a year ago new chief executive of Asda to £678 million at the May 2 Group, the debt-laden supermarket chain, has charged £452 million of property losses. and reconstruction costs against the group's 1991-2 results, and blamed them on

"past management neglect".

Mr Norman has written
down the balance sheet valuation of Asda's stores by £280 million and provided a further £92.9 million for restructuring, on top of the £78.9 million first-half charge. The 60 Gateway stores, for which, in hindsight, the group

overpaid", already written down by £100 million from their £700 million purchase price, have now been revalued at a total of £425 million. As a result, exceptional items total £451.6 million, obliterating post-interest trading profits of £86.8 million to leave a pre-tax loss of £344 million, against the £118.7 million profit deciared a year ago.

Shareholders will receive the 0.85p a share final divi-dend forecast at the time of last October's £357 million rights issue, but are told to expect a cut in this year's interim payment. The board intends to pay out no more than half the available earnings, which are not expected by analysis to exceed 3p a share, and will seek to bring the interim and final into "appropriate

company's pubs would have to be aggregated with Whitbread's under rules set out by the Monopolies and Mergers The rights issue has helped Commission (MMC). Asda cut its debt mountain

year end, and, with a £73 million net profit to be made on the sale of the MFI Group shareholding, Mr Norman says borrowings will be below £600 million by the middle of

More than two thirds -£434 million — is classified as long-term debt, due more than a year hence. In the past six months, the

Asda board has been completely restructured.

WHITBREAD, the brewer

and public house keeper, has

decided to furl its complex

investment "umbrella" stakes

November 1 to meet the tough

monopolies beer orders' dead-

line. Holdings up to nearly 40 per cent will be cut back to below 15 per cent to avoid

Whitbread having to sell off

If it maintained share-

holdings of more than 15 per

cent in another brewer, that

The decision immediately

up to 1,000 pubs.



Norman: blames neglect

Whitbread to cut brewery stakes

By DEREK HARRIS

heightened speculation over

an early takeover bid, proba-

bly by one of the regional brewers, for Marston, Thomp-

son & Evershed, the Burton

brewer of Pedigree beer that is

much acclaimed by real ale

drinkers. Most speculation about a predator has centred

on Wolverhampton & Dudley.

Whitbread Investment Com-

pany (WIC), whose cross-hold-

ings both between themselves

and regional brewers created the Whitbread investment

umbrella, hold a near-38 per

It will also put more pres-

sure on Morland, the Abing-

cent stake in Marston.

Whitbread and its associate

the West Midlands brewer.



By Colin Narbrough, economics correspondent THE Bank of England yesterment on Friday for an imminday dashed hopes of an early ent move to lower rates, the Bank yesterday sent a signal via its money market opera-

base rate cut as the latest credit data showed consumers continued to repay debt in May rather than borrow more. Consumer credit outstand-

ing fell £19 million in May after a £56 million fall in April, said the Central Statistical Office. The reluctance to borrow indicates government hopes of a recovery boosted by more consumer spending will not be fulfilled. Total new credit advanced to consumers fell from £4. I i billion in April to £3.77 billion in May. After testing market senti-

don, Oxfordshire, brewer that

is the target of a £101.3 million bid by Greene King.

the rather larger Suffolk brewer. WIC had a near-44 per cent stake in Morland, of which it sold 28.5 per cent to

Greene King. Robin Farrington, WIC

chairman, said there had been

approaches from a number of

interested parties for the stakes

in both Marston and Morland, but no agreement had been reached. This had led

WIC to "examine other op-tions", including the sale of a

stake to another party with or without a full bid for Marston.

A placing in the market was

another option, he added.

tions that it wants the base rate held at 10 per cent. The key three-month interbank rate responded by moving back to 10 per cent from the 97/s per cent it eased to on Friday. Simon Briscoe, economist at

Midland Montagu, said the author-ities had "tested the water and decided this week was not the appropriate time for a cut". Sterling's softer tone also made it more difficult to justify easing, he said. Market disappointment over interest rates was reflected in both the equity and bond markets.

Sunday's Italian discount rate rise to defend the lira ran counter to international sentiment, but City economists believe pressures are building for rate cuts elsewhere after last week's easing in America. Sterling fell to DM2.8914 at the 4pm London market close, against its previous close of DM2.8955. It gained more than half a cent against the dollar to \$1.9104, but was 0.1 lower on its trade-weighted

index at 92.9. In the latest quarter, finance house credit fell £362 million, against a £308 million fall in the previous three months. In constrast, credit card borrowing rose in May to give a £248 million rise in the latest quarter, against a £75 million rise in the previous three months.

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Wichita line woos British investors to Kansas

By JON ASHWORTH

SOMEWHERE over the rainbow ... lies a green corner of America that is just crying out for your money: Kansas. The geographic centre of 48 states. Home to Beech, Cessna and Learjet. A land of Oz with the lowest unemployment rate in America and a yellow brick road paved with tax-breaks and incentives, all waiting for

the British investor. Such is the promotional line from the state of Kansas, which is about to launch a huge drive to attract British funds. Where better to start than Harrods, no stranger to American wallets, which is preparing for a huge

American promotion in the autumn? Randall Tosh, head of international marketing for Kansas, flew in from Topeka, the state capital, last week to finalise his assault on an unsuspecting British public. The fact that few people here can find Kansas on a map is beside the point.

The aircraft carrying him was probably 80 per cent made in Wichita, hub of America's aviation industry, where Boeing makes much of its parts before shipping them to its base near Seattle. Some of the food on board probably hailed from Kansas, which produces more wheat and beef than any of its

But just where is this magical state. immortalised in Wizard of Oz. Take a map of America, go right to the centre and that's where we are," said Mr Tosh, proudly waving a thick wad of facts and figures.

General Eisenhower grew up in

Abilene. Amelia Earhart, the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic, was raised in Atchison, and the state has produced more astronauts than

any other. For those still a little hazy, Kansas is a square parcel of land bordered by Nebraska to the north. Missouri to the east. Oklahoma to the south and Colorado to the west. It looks like southern Ireland and is as flat as a pancake. Its central location, Mr Tosh says, means that it is the perfect choice for British

industrialists. Kansas is home to Dodge City, once notorious for its gunfights, and Mr Tosh is quick on the draw. Blam! Kansas has the largest railyard in America. Blam! Unemployment is only 3.6 per cent compared with a national average of 7.8 per cent. Kapowl Tourism has increased 213 per cent in five years.

Business jets and military aircraft aside, Kansas boasts its own computer manufacturing zone - the so-called Silicon Prairie - and makes the robotic arm used on many space shuttle missions. It recently became the first American state to sign an economic treaty with St Petersburg, the gateway to the former Soviet Union, and is supplying flour mills to help the region overcome

crippling food shortages.

The message to British industry is:
come and take a look. Kansas needs pharmaceuticals companies, food processors and telecommunications groups. A trade mission will visit Britain in September to ram home the advantages of setting up operations in

Kansas has something else up its sleeve. There are plans for a \$350 million Disney-style theme park. The Land of Oz. which would throw in everything from Auntie Em's house to a simulated tornado ride. Who needs

OFT chief

On the lookout for trading abuses: Sir Bryan Carsberg wants the OFT to be more of a bloodhound than a watchdog

Carmakers revise forecast as sales stay stuck in first gear

By Kevin Eason, motoring correspondent

NEW car sales are continuing to bump along the bottom of recession as the motor indus-

try shows little sign of revival. Although sales in June increased 4.44 per cent to 102,566, the third monthly rise in succession after 29 months of decline, the marginal improvement was on the same month of 1991, the worst year for sales in a decade. As a result, the industry gave a warning that the June improvement would

have to continue throughout

the year if carmakers were to overtake the 1991 sales of 1.59 million. Manufacturers had hoped

for a substantial revival after the Budget in March and the general election in April. There followed three months of improvement but not on a big enough scale to convince motor manufacturers that they have turned the corner out of

The Retail Motor Industry Federation has revised its original forecast for 1992, made

tive of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders. which issued yesterday's figures, cautioned against over-Bank dashes hopes optimism as sales in the past six months were 768,745. of early rate cut compared with 801,684 in the first half of 1991, a drop of

4.11 per cent. Ford, the country's biggest motor maker, saw its June market share fall from 27.3 per cent to 20.66 per cent; Rover's fell from 14.87 per cent to 13.95 per cent, while Vauxhail continued to close the gap on Ford by raising its market share from 14 per cent to 16.18 per cent and Peugeot Talbot raised its June market share from 7.08 per cent to 8.55 per cent.

after the Budget, down from

1.76 million to 1.63 million

sales. Some manufacturers are

even saying that figure may

not be achieved without a

huge sale of about 500,000

cars next month when the new

tion's chief economist, said: "If

we can have a good August,

then maybe we have a chance

of seeing improvement this

Sir Hal Miller, chief execu-

Neil Marshall, the federa-

K registration is introduced.

seeks more active role

By Ross Tieman INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Office of Fair Trading should become "more of a bloodhound than a watchdog". Sir Bryan Carsberg, Britain's new director-general of fair trading, said.

Signalling his ambition to give the OFT a more active role in seeking out abuses of fair trading laws, Sir Bryan drew attention to computer programs employed by the OFT in its recent investigation of car prices. He said such tools could be used to highlight industries where companies appeared to be making excess profits, "I want the OFT to be less reactive and more

Sir Bryan, former head of Oftei, the telecom regulator, also flagged his willingness to assume greater responsibility for mergers now investigated by the European Commission. He is interested in the idea of Sir Sydney Lipworth, chair-man of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. for a Euro MMC.

Sir Bryan is expected to unveil his strategy for the OFT in September.

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The London Stock Exchange has authorised the issue of this document under section 154(1)(to) of the FSA without approxing its contexts. Application has been made to the London Stock Exchange for the whole of the Ordinary Share capital of MFI Furniture Group Pic, issued and to be issued, to be admitted to the Official List, it is expected that admission of the Ordinary Shares to the Official List will become effective ("Admission") and that dealings will commence on 17 July 1992.

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MFI FURNITURE GROUP PLC

Offer

of 136,974,973 Ordinary Shares of 10p each and Placing

of 410,177,800 Ordinary Shares of 10p each at a price of 115p per Ordinary Share

sponsored by **COUNTY NATWEST**

County NatWest Limited

and underwritten by Charterhouse Bank Limited

KEY INFORMATION

THE BUSINESS

MRI is the leading furniture retailer and manufacturer in the UK. It operates from 174 superstores and owns one of the largest furniture manufacturing tons in Europe.

MRI's Hygena and Schreiber product brands are the best recognised furniture brands in the UK in their sectors. MFI has an estimated 11.4 per cent. share by value of the UK household furniture market (excluding floorcoverings), it commands the market for self-assembly kitchens and bedrooms. MFI is also the clear market leader by volume in rigid kitchens.

The Group manufactures 60 per cent, of the goods it sells. Vertical integration is a key strength of MFI, enhancing the competitive position of

The Group has strong operational cash flow and its capital expenditure can be adjusted in response to economic and trading conditions. The management team is experienced and all the Executive Directors have worked for the Group for at least 13 years.

PROSPECTS:

MPI's future growth will be founded upon:

- e development of the superstore network through refurbishment and the opening of relocated and new superstores
- an enhanced and expanded product range which will assist MFI's market penetration in all product areas, especially beds and uphoistery
- further vertical integration where there is the prospect of a high volume of sales and a rapid return on investment
- continuing efficiency improvements resulting from the Group's policy of restraining costs and controlling working capital. The outlook for the current financial year depends largely on the scale and pace of economic recovery.

TRADING RECORD AND CURRENT TRADING

The following is a summary of MFI's trading record for the four full financial periods since the Buy-out in November 1987, which has been derived from the Accountants' Report in Part IR of the Listing Particulars.

WINITION					
Year ended April		1989	1990	1991	1992
Turnover	£m	601.7	594.9	620.7	644,4
Trading profit	£m	91.4	50.9	48.6	73.7
Trading margin	%	15.2	8.6	7.8	11.4

The decline in trading profit between 1989 and 1991 reflected the impact of the recession on the Group's sales, together with increased rents and depreciation charges. The significant recovery in trading profit and trading margin in the year ended April 1992 reflected improved sales between Christmas and the end of February and continued restraint of operating

Allowing for special factors inherent in any year-on-year comparison, underlying sales since the start of the current financial year are broadly in line with last year's levels.

FLOTATION STATISTICS

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THE FLOTATION

The Flotation consists of a placing of 410,177,800 Ordinary Shares and a public offer of 136,974,973 Ordinary Shares. Of the Ordinary Shares being marketed, 489,142,360 Ordinary Shares are being issued by the Company and 58,010,413 are being sold by existing investors. No shares are being sold by the Executive Directors or their tamilies. ASDA is selling its entire immerst in MRI.

Up to 13,697,497 Ordinary Shares (representing 10 per cent. of the Ordinary Shares available under the Offer) are being reserved in the first instance to meet applications by or for the benefit of Directors and employees of the Company and its subsidiaries.

Politowing Admission, the issued share capital of the Company will be £58,136,400 and the authorised share capital will be £77,515,200, each divided into Ordinary Shares of 10p each. If you wish to apply for Ordinary Shares, you must complete and return the attached Application Form in accordance with the procedure for application

The Application List will open at 10.00 am on Friday 10 July 1992 and will close as soon thereafter as County NatWest and the Company may

16 July 1992 and that dealings in the Ordinary Shares will commence on Friday 17 July 1992. Dealings prior to receipt of share certificates and prior to Admission will be at the risk of the applicant(s). A person so dealing must recognise the risk that an application may not have been accepted to the extent anticipeted, or at all, or that Admission may not

take place. Individual shareholders with Personal Equity Plans ("PEPs") may request, subject to the normal subscription limits, that their Plan Managers subscribe for Ordinary Shares under the Offer on their behalf up to the statutory PEP and single company PEP limits. Alternatively, subject to certain conditions, Ordinary Shares acquired by individuals under the Offer (including, for employees, Ordinary Shares acquired using priority application forms) are eligible for transfer by those individuals to Plan Managers prepared to accept them within 42 days of their allocation, expected to take place on 17 July 1992.

Latest time and date for receipt of

Basis of allocation announced and share certificates despatched It is expected that definitive share certificates (which will be provisional subject to Admission) will be posted to successful applicants on Thursday Dealings to commence Friday 17 July 1992

EXPECTED TIMEDABLE 10.00 am on Friday 10 July 1992 Thursday 16 July 1992

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

implications are made on the terms and conditions see out in this iconems, including the following:

The contracts restiting true acceptancies of applications under the Offer will be conditional on Admission occurring not later than 9.00 am on Friday 17 July 1992 or such later time and/or data as County Natives; and the Company may agree, pricing not later than 9.30 am on 31 July 1992, and on the Underwirting Agreement (details of which are set out in paragraph 7(t)) of Per 17 of the Listing Particulars) becoming wholly unconditional and not being termanated in accordance with its terms. If these conditions are out underficied in accordance with the terms. If these conditions are out underficied in accordance with the terms. If these conditions are out underficied, morries collected in respect of applications will be refunded by recurring the applicants; or though the returned applicant, and the applicants of finding a checker crossed "A/C Payere" in fanous of the first named applicant, Application momes recoved in respect of the Offer personal application or allotment or riturn of application mortises or any occess thereof will be returned by the Recovery Backers in a Recovery Backers in the Company Americant in the Company Americant in the Recovery Backers in the Company Americant in the Recovery Backers in the

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AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

Copies of this document and of the Listing Particulars are available for collection for a period of 14 days from 2 July 1997 from:

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from the following branches of National Wests

Cardiff 117 St. Mary Street Birmingham Colmore Centre Timeter 59 High Street Hull 19 Silver Street Mandada 55 King Street Newcastle Upon Tyne 87 Grey Street

Leeds 8 Park Rose Norwich 45 Landon Street

and from: Ulster Bank Limited 88/90 High Street

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Copies of the Listing Particulars are also available for collection from the Company Announcements Office, The London Stock Exchange, Capel Court Entrance, Bartholomew Lane, London EC2 for a period of two days from 2 July 1992.

INSTRUCTIONS	FOR RETURN O	F THE APPL	CATION FOR	ll.

Send your completed Application Form to arrive not letter to 10,00 am on Friday 10 July 1992 at:

National Westminster Bank Pk Registrar's Department PO Box 859 Hartcliffe Bristol 1999 1XZ

ALLOW AT LEAST TWO WORKING DAYS FOR DELIVERY

Deliver your completed Application form by hand not later than 10.00 amon friday 10 July 1992 to:

National Westminster Bank Plc Registrar's Department New Issues Section 15 Feetherstone Screet

or by not later than 3.00 pm on Thursday 9 July 1992 to one of the other branches of National Westrainster Bank Pic Ested above or to Ulster Bank Limited at the address set out above.

PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION

BEFORE MAKING ANY APPLICATION TO ACQUIRE SHARES YOU ARE RECONSMENDED TO CONSULT AN INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL ADVISER Photocopies of Application Forms will not be accepted in any circumstances.

Put in Box 1 your full name and address using BLOCK CAPITALS.
Applications may be made only by persons aged 18 or over.
However, an adult may apply for the benefit of a minor. To apply
for the benefit of a minor, you should put your own name and
address in full in Box 1 and, after your sumame, write "A/C"
followed by the Initials of the minor. See Note 6 below for joint

Put in Box 2 (in figures) the number of Ordinary Shares for which you are applying. You may only apply for one of the numbers of Ordinary Shares set out below. Applications for any other numbers of Ordinary Shares are liable to be rejected.

Number of Ordinary Shares you are applying for	Amount payable at 115p per Ordinary Share
250	1287.50
500	£575.00
750	£862.50
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1,500	£1,725.00

2,000 to 10,000 Ordinary Shares 1,000 Ordinary Shares 10.000 to 50.000 Ordinary Shares 5,000 Ordinary Shares

over 50,000 Ordinary Shares 10,000 Ordinary Shares Sign and date the form in Box 4. The Application Form may be signed by someone else on your behalf and/or on behalf of any joint applicant(s) if duly authorised to do so, but power(s) of attorney or a duly certified copy thereof must be enclosed for inspection and will be returned in due course. If you are applying for the benefit of a person under the age of 18, you, rather than that person, must sign the Application Form. A corporation should sign under the hand of a duly authorised official whose representative coacity must be stated.

Pin to Box 5 a single chaque or banker's draft for the exact amount you have entered in Box 3. Your chaque or banker's draft must be made payable to itational Westminster Bank Pic A/C MR and should be crossed "A/C Payer".

No receipt will be issued for this payment, which must be solely

Your cheque or benion's draft must be draften in sterling on an account at a branch (which must be in the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man) of a bank or building society which is either a member of the Clearing Houses Association or which has arranged for its cheques and banker's drafts to be presented for payment through the clearing facilities provided by the members of that Association and must bear the appropriate sort code notable in the top right hand corner.

Applications may be accompanied by a cheque drawn by someone other than the applicant(s), but, any monies to be returned will be returned by either sending the cheque or banker's draft submitted with the application to, or will be sent by cheque crossed "A/C Payee" in favour of, the person named in Box 1, and in both cases to the address in Box 1:

You may apply to hold the Ordinary Shares which you enter in Box 2 with up to three other persons aged 18 or over. Their full names should be inserted in SLOCK CAPITALS in Box 6. Box 6 must be signed by or on behalf of each joint applicant (other than the first applicant who should complete Boxes 1, 2 and 3

If anyone is signing on behalf of any joint applicant(s), power(s) of attorney or a duly certified copy thereof must be enclosed for inspection. Any share certificates in the names of joint applicants will be sent to the applicant named in Box 1.

MFI Furniture Group Plc

APPLICATION FORM

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4 SIGN AND DATE HERE Signature July 1992 Pin here your cheque/banker's draft for the amount in Box 3. 5 payable to National Westminster Bank Plc A/C MFI and PAYMENT FOR THE crossed "A/C Payee". AMOUNT IN BOX 3

Joint applicants The first applicant should complete Boxes 1, 2 and 3 and sign and date Box 4. Insert below in BLOCK CAPITALS the names of any other joint applicants, who JOINT APPLICANTS must sign in the right hand column below.

Mr. Mrs. Miss, etc. Forename(s) in full 2nd joint applicant 3rd Joint ----· 科斯·拉拉斯斯· 3

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THE TIMES TUESDAY JULY 7 1992

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The remaining 10 per cent of the equity will be held by Hanson Hanson has received £43 million in cash from the company, along with £9.8 million of 5 per cent loan

The stength of Kier's cash flow has enabled it to start life with £50 million on deposit.

out of Angola and offered for sale in Antwerp, and that the

incidence of such diamond

smuggling continued to be of concern. De Beers plans to spend \$164 million in adver-

tising diamonds this year, with greater marketing atten-

tion being given to Europe

than previously.
The CSO said that stock

levels in the cutting centres were at satisfactory levels, and that bank borrowings by the

diamond trade were also at

reasonable levels. This means,

the CSO said, that when the market picks up, full advan-

saying: "I think it's great what British

The lata figures showed that BA was the world's leading international service airline in 1991, carrying

In second place was Lufthansa, the German carrier, with 13.3 million, followed by American Airlines, Air France and SAS, the Scandinavian

Including domestic-route passengers, BA was 11th in the world list with 22.8 million passengers carried

in top place, followed by the United

States' three main carriers - American, Delta and United.

told UK aviation correspondents that revenue from passenger fares this year was down by approximately 1 per cent and that the world's airlines were only about halfway towards

for traffic and financial services. Arrithes had done 10 per cent worse in 1991 than they had expected and there was a 4 per cent decline in the number of international scheduled passengers carried during

iasi year The main problem months last year were January and February, when there was a 23 per cent drop in total passenger numbers.

Peter Morris, tata's assistant director of marketing and economic analysis, said: "I don't think that any airline is going to go bust, but some will do a lot worse than others this

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

East Midlands power chief's pay doubled

JOHN Harris, chairman of East Midlands Electricity, had a 102 per cent pay rise in the year ending March 31, according to figures released yesterday. He earnt £230,969, compared with £114.476 the previous year. He received £67,000 before the company was privatised in December 1990.

Mr Harris's salary, disclosed in the company's annual report, could fuel crincism of big wage increases and massive profits in the power industry. "It is a staggering increase," said Professor Basil Weedon, chairman of the East Midlands Region Consumer Committee. Last month, East Midlands reported a 41 per cent increase in pre-tax profits for the year to end-March. The company, first of the 12 regional companies to announce results, made £150 million.

Platignum turns round

PLATIGNUM, the pen maker and housewares group, benefited from substantial reorganisation in the year ended March 31, and swung from a previous £1.34 million pre-tax loss into a £405.000 pre-tax profit in its 1992 financial year. But there is, again, no dividend. Ivy Products was bought from the receivers in December, and through relocating Ivy a significant reduction in overheads has been achieved. In March, Platignum placed 41 million new shares raising £1.5 million net, and has since redeemed its preference shares and reorganised its capital.

Waterford to cut jobs

WATERFORD Crystal wants to axe 525 jobs and cut pay by up to 25 per cent in an effort to return to profit. Paddy Galvin. chief executive, told unions of the glassmaker's plans at the weekend. The unions promptly called for a meeting with Brian Cowen, the Irish labour minister, and urged the government to nationalise Waterford. The luxury crystal and china firm Waterford Wedgwood cut pre-tax losses to Ir£2.7 million (£2.5 million) from Ir£21.4 million in the year ending December 3) but gave a warning that the international recession was still hitting hard.

AG Barr sparkles

AG BARR, the soft drinks manufacturer based in Glasgow, lifted pre-tax profits from £1.17 million to £2.64 million in the six months to April 25. Turnover rose 3.1 per cent to £42.4 million (£41.1 million). Earnings per share were 9.09p (4.37p). There is an interim dividend of 1.75p (1.0833p). The company, which makes the Irn-Bru and Tizer brands. attributed the higher profits to more efficient production and distribution arrangements. A factory in Edinburgh was closed in February, and a depot in Leicester in January.

Reliance secures rise

SHARES in Reliance Security Group rose 25p to 381p after the security services company reported an increase in pre-tax profits from £3.25 million to £3.42 million in the year to May 1. Earnings rose from 19.4p a share to 20.5p. The final dividend is increased from 6.2p a share to 6.8p, making 9p for the year (8.4p). Profits rose despite a £906,000 loss incurred in extending activities into electronic security. The company was "cautiously optimistic" there would be continued growth this year.

City Site back in black

CITY Site Estates, the Glasgow property company run by pre-tax profits of £190,000 for the six months to end-March. compared with losses of almost £2 million in the comparable period of the year before. The profits were struck despite a 29 per cent increase in interest payable to £4.9 million. Net rental income rose 27 per cent to £5.4 million. The company is not paying an interim dividend (0.96p) but hopes to recommence dividend payments at the "earliest possible date".

New chief at Wm Hill

BRENT Walker Group, the leisure and property company, said Ken Scobie is to take over from Lord Kindersley as chairman of William Hill Group, the group's betting shop subsidiary. Lord Kindersley has said he will retire as chairman of William Hill and Brent Walker at the group's annual meeting later this month. Mr of Brent Walker, and a deputy chairman and chief executive of Brent Walker, and a new chairman will be announced at the meeting.

NS bond goes on sale

THE first National Savings product aimed at basic rate taxpayers goes on sale today. The FIRST Option Bond, announced in the Budget, will pay 7.75 per cent after basic rate tax has been deducted on £1,000 or more and 8.05 per cent on £20,000 or more. The rates, while higher than those offered by most building societies on comparable accounts, were lower than expected for the one-year bond. This could be a sign of lower interest rates soon.



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Passengers fare better as the world's airlines lose £2.1 bn

FROM A CORRESPONDENT. "'IN GENEVA" "

AIR passengers are paying less for international scheduled route rickets than last year and the world's airlines are returning huge losses, the leading aviation industry body an-

nounced yesterday.

Airlines would have to charge everyone an extra £8 per ticket if they wanted to break even, said the International Air Transport Associ-

Taking world inflation into account, international scheduled fares have actually dipped 28 per cent in

the last ten years," the association

World airlines lost £2.1 billion in 1991, when the recession and the Gulf war combined to give the aviation industry its worst-ever year. With revenue from passenger fares falling, airlines are now expected to lose £1 billion on their international

scheduled routes this year. But British Airways was one of the few carriers to buck the trend. The airline recently announced that it had made pre-tax profits of £285

million for 1991-2. Guitter Eser, the lata director-general, praised BA's profitability, Airways is doing."

17.92 million passengers.

Aeroflot, the Russian airline, was

lata officials in Geneva yesterday

economic recovery

In terms of personnel, international airlines had shed 3.4 per cent of employees last year, compared with an increase of 3.5 per cent in 1990

"It's going to be a tough year for

the airline industry, said Tom Murphy, lata's director responsible

Hanson sells UK building firms to management By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

Kingdom construction interests to a management buyout for £53 million. The businesses, which will be known as the Kier Group

after their best known operation, had a turnover last year of £598 million and ranked among Britain's ten largest building contractors. More than 2,000 employees

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will be offered the chance to buy shares through an em-ployee share ownership plan

The buyout is likely to prove the prelude to a return to a

UNION Discount, the strick-

en discount house, has warned shareholders that it made

fresh losses of up to £15 million in the first half of the

year and will not pay an interim dividend.

Shares in Union plunged 5 Ip to only 64p when the warning was released. Analysts previously believed that

Union was beginning to re-

cover after record losses of

£23.6 million last year. In December 1990, Sir Ron

entrepreneur, sold a 28 per cent stake in the firm at 550p

The firm also announced

that it had sold Herald Finan-

cial Services, a loss-making dental equipment leasing and

hire purchase business, to Schroder Leasing for £18.2 million. The sale will reduce

the group's debts but Union

has been forced to suffer a

£770,000 loss on closing out

interest-rate swap contracts on.

Herald's loan book. ...
George Blunden, Union's new chief executive, said the

SALES of rough gem dia-monds by De Beers Central

Selling Organisation market-

ing arm fell by 14.3 per cent to

\$1.78 billion in the six months

By comparison with CSO diamond sales in the second half of last year, the latest figures show a 3 per cent fall

The CSO, which handles 80

per cent of worldwide rough

diamond sales, said yesterday it viewed the first-half 1992

figures as "satisfactory" given the background of difficult

to end-June.

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Union Discount

warns of losses

BY NEIL BENNETT, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

HANSON has sold its United listing with the Stock Exfrom managers to buy Kier change once a financial track record has been re-established. The core business, French Kier, was quoted until 1986, when it was acquired by Beazer. Beazer, in turn, was bought by Hanson last

> Martin Taylor, Hanson's deputy chairman, said that there were no plans to sell the other main Beazer businesses: a housebuilding operation in the United Kingdom and an aggregates business in the United States

However, the approach

disposal was part of contin-

uing rationalisation and that, in litture, Union would con-

centrate on its core moneymarket trading gilts and equity market-making and asset management. The firm

is now looking at the future of

Sabre, its troubled leasing

business, which has caused the

bulk of the losses and may sell

Union blamed the new

losses on further provisions

against Sabre, and an invest-

system, which the firm has

now written off. Union also

said the costs of the discount

house were "excessive" and

that it was making exceptional

provisions to reduce the scale

Last year, Union paid an interim dividend of 15.3p but was forced to slash its final

dividend from 23p to 2p because of the record losses.

the second piece of bad news

shareholders have had in six

months and it is my intention

Decline in diamond sales halted

By COLIN CAMPBELL, MINING CORRESPONDENT

provement over the initial

1992 sights when the CSO

The CSO added yesterday

that world economies were, in general, still quiet, although

there are encouraging signs from the American retail mar-

ket. Roger Van Eeghen, a

spokesman for De Beers, cau-

tioned that it is difficult to try to predict the outcome for rough diamond sales in the

second half. The market would be influenced by the

run-up to, and outcome of, the

had restricted sales.

Mr Blunden said: "This is

it or wind it down.

of the operations.

it will be the last."

Group was prompted by the renowned philosophy of Lord Hanson, the Hanson chairman, that every business is for sale at a price. Duncan Brand, Kler's fi-nance director, said that he and his colleagues had told Lord Hanson they would like

to buy the business if he wished to sell it. Lord Hanson accepted the proposition, but has signalled his faith in them by retaining

a stake in the business. In addition to Kier Construction, Kier Group includes Marriott in Northamptonshire, Moss Construction in Gloucestershire and on Merseyside, and Wallis, in Kent and Bristol.

All these companies originated within the Beazer empire. In addition, Kier has taken on the Dudley Coles construction group, once a part of ARC, which was acquired by Hanson when it bought Consolidated Gold-fields in 1989.

Together, these businesses achieved a pre-tax profit of £8 million in the year to June 1991 from net assets of 541 million. Kier Group has 1,800 sala-

ried staff who will be offered the chance to participate in the Esop, along with any of the 1,600 hourly paid workers who have been with the group for more than two years. cent of the shares, worth £1.2 million. A similar sum has

been raised by 73 senior managers, lead by Colin Busby, chairman and chief executive. They will also share 45 per cent.

Carrying it off: Tiphook's Robert Montague says the trailer rental group has shown its resilience in recession. Pre-tax profits rose from an adjusted £70.4 million to £86.4 million in the year ended April. The final is 12.9p (10.3p), making 17.3p (13.8p). Tempus, page 24

TT wants to merge with AB Electronic

SHARES in TT Group, the unveiled a 40 per cent rise in acquisitive industrial holding pre-tax profits for last year, but company, slipped 7p to 215p on the news that it is seeking a merger with AB Electronic Products, an electronic components manufacturer based n Glamorgan.

The directors of AB, which saw its shares rise 12p to 90p on the news, said that TT had taken a 6.35 per cent stake in the company and was proposing a merger. They are seeking clarification of TT's intentions and consulting NM Rothschild, AB's finan-

cial adviser. The board of AB recently spelled out a strategy for the development of its core businesses and said that it was looking for parmers which "can add momentum towards the achievement of that strategy". Talks with TT will centre

on this point. Analysts have been expecting TT to make a move since it

the choice of AB has taken them by surprise. Potential targets included

ML Holdings, the aerospace. cargo-handling and electronic components company, in which TT holds a 7.5 per cent stake. It also holds a 5 per cent stake in Renold, the power transmission equipment manufacturer. Past acquisitions include United Packaging, Beatson Clark and Crystalate Holdings.

The company has been left with a 38 per cent holding in Magnetic Materials after failing to gain full control with a bid that lapsed last July. AB will issue a further announce-

ment in due course. AB reported a pre-tax loss of £3.95 million for the six months to December 31 and gave a warning that it would remain in the red during the

Evode sticks on payout

BY COLIN CAMPBELL

EVODE Group, the adhesives and industrial coatings maker, believes it has come to grips with its cost base, but says in the present economic climate it has to remain cautious about

overall prospects.

Andrew Simon, chairman, says pre-tax profits in the six months ended March 28 rose from £3 million to £3.8 million, helped by a marginally improved operating profit and by a 16.2 per cent reduction in financing costs. On a like-forlike basis, interim sales rose by

5 per cent to £141.9 million. Evode has completed its disposal programme, further tightened costs and cash controls, and increased its market share. The group is now down

to three core businesses.
The interim dividend is held at 1.78p a share, and fully diluted half-time net earnings rose from 1.3p to 1.9p a share.

American presidential elec-tion, which could determine trading conditions. buying patterns for Christmas tage can be taken quickly of Julian Ogilvie Thompson, chairman of De Beers, said in and also by economic condiincreased demand. London last week that the most recent "sights" at which tions in Japan. The CSO last raised the The CSO said it was still prices of rough diamonds by an average 5.5 per cent in March 1990. buying rough diamonds that rough diamonds are sold had appear to have been smuggled showed some signs of im-

a special interest in this process as Siemens is probably the greatest commercial beneficiary of reunification. Addressing a news conference, Herr Kaske said: "Without reunification Germany would have suffered two years of recession. And I ask myself whether the extra gross national product gener-

prove to be a profitable investment. Siemens, which is involved to virtually

For the current financial year, which ends in September, Siemens expects a 5

company's most difficult area of activity remains its information-technology di-



Stunted Siemens looks east for growth

SIEMENS, the electronic group and beliwether of the German economy, is increasingly relying on the eastern part of the country for growth amid signs of a slowdown in the west and continued depression elsewhere in Europe.

Karlheinz Kaske, outgoing president of Siemens, said yesterday that reunification had saved Germany from recession and he launched a vigorous defence of its costs, estimated this year to be around DM 180 billion. Herr Kaske has

ated does not partially compensate for the costs of unification." He said the DM60 billion invested in modernising the East German telephone network would lead to a rise in the number of

FROM WOLFGANG MÜNCHAU IN DRESDEN telephone calls and could, within years.

every sector of electronics and electromechanics, benefits at every stage in the process of rebuilding eastern Germany. The process of regeneration begins with the refurbishment of the telecommunications network, continues with energy generation and distribution and the building of the general infrastructure. especially transport and health.

per cent increase in new orders, a sharp fall from the previous year's record of more than 20 per cent. That record was partially the result of consolidation. including the acquisition of Britain's Plessey. The declining growth is exemplified by the fact that eastern Germany accounts for almost half the increase. The remaining growth in orders, less than 3 per cent, is below inflation and therefore negative in real terms. The is surely worrying."

vision, Siemens-Nixdorf Informationssysteme (SNI), formed after the merger with Nixdorf. Siemens admits to having underestimated the difficulties of the merger and the perilous state of the computer market. The company will have to cope with a fall in sale prices of DM700 million while costs will go up by DM500 million. So the company will need to achieve improvements in efficiency of at least DM I.2 billion in order to be as badly off as last year. Losses are expected to be cut this year but there is no sign of when break-even will come.

Siemens also hopes to benefit from this week's G7 summit in Munich. which may agree on a package to modernise Russia's nuclear power stations. Heinrich von Pierer, who will succeed Herr Kaske in October, says: "If you consider that six years after Chernobyl nothing much has happened, then this **TEMPUS**

Bold Asda heaps its trolley with provisions

SUME kitchen sink Asda found to lob into its 1991-2 accounts. Quite naturally. Archie Norman and his young team took the opportunity to load every penny possible into their provisions against the acquisition of 60-odd Gateway stores by their forerunners, but the decision to restate every property on the books at open market valuation was a stunner.

it was a bold move, but at the right time, because the £452 million of write-offs can be heaped against the door of Norman's forerunners.

The ill-starred Gateway purchase was accompanied by two strategic errors by Asda in the past five years. One is already being addressed with the refocusing of its marketing programme on to "the ordinary working people". In other words, the expensive and futile battle with Sainsbury's and Tesco has been called off.

The other was the diversification away from supermarketing into furniture and property development, which are soaking up working capi-tal, and, when in shape, must be candidates for disposal.

With relief, the market learnt that borrowings, to-gether with the net £73 mil-lion of MFI money next month, borrowings will be below £600 million, and that there is no risk of breaching any of its loan covenants.

No great claims are being made about current trading. but there are signs that the return to Asda Price has stopped the haemorrhaging of market share. Philip Dorgan at Goldman Sachs looks for £95 million pre-tax this year, implying earnings of 2.9p. Asda looks to have a team capable of restoring the group's fortunes, but the 29p share price confirms that many want to see some positive results before voting with their pockets.

Scottish & Newcastle

IN AN investment world filled with doubts, such as will there ever be a recovery, there is something immensely reassuring about Scottish & Newcastle, which reported a tenth successive year of record profits and earnings. As the 3p rise in the share price to 463p showed, there is a lot to be said for jam today.

S&N's management, led by Brian Stewart, chief executive, deserves the recognition. A remarkable 14 per cent increase in operating profits and Pontins leisure division



Leader of a winning team: Brian Stewart, S&N chief

led the way, as the group defied recession to report pre-tax profits 2 per cent higher at £221 million and earnings per share 6.7 per cent up at 36.4p. The final dividend rose 7 per cent to 10.59p (9.9p) making a total of 16.1p (15p). S&N's balance sheet re-

mains only modestly geared at 23.1 per cent. In brewing. volumes fell only 0.6 per cent compared with an industrywide fall of 5 per cent. Operating profits rose 3 per cent to £99 million.

On the retail side, the acquisition of the Stakis pubs reversed a first-half decline and enabled the 1,950-outlet division to report a 3 per cent improvement to £57 million. As for leisure, what can you say about a business with an occupancy rate of 95 per cent. except build some more.

Pre-tax profits could reach £240 million this year. ropean harmonisation costs. putting the shares on a priceearnings multiple of less than 13. Given the imponderables

Tiphook

BUSINESSES FOR SALE

IF EVER Tiphook, the container and trailer rental group, was thought to be a share for the professionals. then yesterday proved the point. Pre-tax profits for the year ended April 30, rose from £70.4 million to £86.4 million. The final dividend rises from 10.3p to 12.9p a share, making 17.3p (13.8p) for the year. equivalent to a year's increase

of 25 per cent. The group is not going to be derailed by gridlock on French roads. In fact, rentals still have to be paid, and since goods are not getting to their destination. more trailers and containers are being ordered to ensure they do. Against all that, the share

price sinks 57p to 330p.

The nub of any disappointment is that pre-tax profits were not as high as expected, and that in recognition of Accounting Standards Board pronouncements, what would previously have been extraordinary items have been reclassified as exceptional.

Tiphook also charged £7.2 million or £2.4 million more than previously, against 1992 profits because of bad debts - and the recession is not over yet. There was a £2 million charge for trailer Eu-

However, a group that can still raise pre-tax profits in a recession, hold the setback in net earnings to 4.67 per cent, and raise the dividend so sharply must stand to benefit

when the economy recovers.

American investors, who hold 19 per cent of the equity, are likely to view the setback in London as a buying opportunity into a company opportunity into a company opportunity. tunity into a group whose pre-tax profits could rise to £95 million this year, whose shares trade on 5.2 times prospective earnings, and which is sure to raise its dividend again.

Banks appoint receiver to IBH

FROM REUTER

THE Broken Hill Pty Co Ltd. Australia's biggest company, was dealt another blow yesterday in its attempts to recover A\$1 billion (£389 million) invested in the biggest shareholder in Foster's Brewing

A syndicate of banks, led by Hongkong & Shanghai Bank. appointed receivers to John Elliott's International Brew-ing Holdings Ltd (IBH), which takes precedence over

BHP shares slid 2 cents to close at A\$14.26, while Fos-ter's shares eased 3 cents to A\$1.94 on the news.

Receivers were appointed on behalf of the syndicate, known as Vextin and owed A\$1.2 billion by IBH, after talks between BHP and the banks broke down.

BHP appointed its own receiver to International Brewing Investments, an IBH unit. on June 2 after Mr Elliott failed to meet a debt moratorium deadline. It has since been in negotiations to buy out Vextin's higher-ranking debt. IBH holds a 37.75 per cent

per cent held by [B].
Graham Thomson, spokesman for Wardley Austrafia Ltd. which appointed the receivers on Vextin's be-half, said the syndicate had initially delayed appointing

He said: "The legal and continercial complexities involved, however, mean the discussions have taken longer than expected." He added that the delay had created uncer-tainty, which did not serve the interests of any of the parties

involved. The appointment of receivers should not affect Foster's operations. Yesterday, Foster's shares closed 3 cents lower at

lan Perrier, the receiver, said there would be no quick sale of the Foster's shares owned by IBH.

BHP and the banks initially lent the money to Mr Ellion for his ill-fated attempt to take over Foster's, then Elders IXL Ltd. in 1989.



Elliott: ill-fated firm

Turnover at lowest this year as investors wait for revival

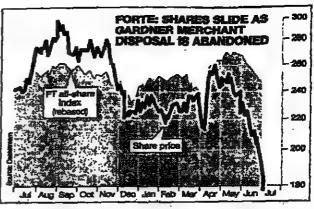
TURNOVER slumped to its lowest this year, with investors continuing to give the equity market a wide berth until positive signs of an economic

revival appear.
Only 274 million shares changed hands - the sort of figure usually associated with Christmas eve, when trading is halted at midday. The fall was largely technical and in response to the news of the rise in Italian interest rates, which appears to have scuppered hopes of an imminent cut in

At one stage, the FT-SE 100 index was down more than 34 points, but some bear closing enabled it to close above its worst of the day. It finished 29.1 points lower at 2.469.

The early damage was done in the futures market where a big seller of the market pushed the index's September series as low as 2.485. Brokers reported little selling in the cash market and blamed an absence of investors. They say there is now good value for money in the equity market. But until prices show signs of bottoming out, they are happy to put off today what they can do tomorrow.

The latest credit figures showed no sign of an economic upturn. Consumers are holding on to their money and are in no rush to borrow. This hit the stores with losses for Argos, 3p to 235p, Body Shop, 6p to 274p, Boots, 6p to 336p, Great Universal A. 270 to £14.27. Kingfisher, 8p to 465p, Lloyds Chemists, 22p to 305p, Marks and



Spencer. 5p to 318p. John Menzies, 15p to 379p, Sears, 2p to 79p, and WH Smith A, 5p to 420p. Blue Circle Industries eased 2p to 207p as the company's broker, Hoare

Govett, cut its profits forecast. Wellcome suffered an early markdown, but later rallied to finish 6p better at 883p. Yesterday, fund managers

was bracing itself for a loss of £15 million in the first six months and was passing the interim dividend. The other discount houses were also sent reeling by the news, with Cater Allen down 14p at 325p, Gerrard & National 14p to 275p, and King & Shaxson 1p to 74p. Full-year figures

Alexon, the women's wear retailer, finished 4p lower at 228p as County NatWest WoodMac decided to downgrade its profits estimate. It has cut its estimate for the current year by £2 million to £10 million after discovering that like-for-like sales are down 8 per cent overall. The shares are recommended as a sell.

were able to begin applying for the Wellcome Trust self-off. There was no sign of anyone rushing to lodge their applica-tions. Most fund managers are likely to wait until the last minute and will be happy to see the price continue to fall. Union Discount, the finan-

cial services group, tumbled 51p to 64p after saying that it

Tiphook, the trailer and container remasl group, failed to meet City expectations and the price tumbled 56p to 331p.

Asda, the troubled supermarket group, slipped 1p to 29p after weighing in with a set of full-year figures every bit as bad as feared.

Scottish & Newcastle, the drinks and leisure group,

falling shy of City forecasts. Forte, the hotel and leisure group, fell 8p to 176p as the market reflected on the abandonment of group plans to sell its Gardner Merchant catering division to Compass. The sale was expected to have raised about \$530 million for

Forte. The Compass price. returning after suspension, re-acted with a 46p drop to 443p. Forte's broker. UBS Phillips & Drew, is believed to have followed up with a profits downgrading, from £125 million to £86 million. Kleinwort Benson has also cut its forecast from £115 million to £90

The brewers came under selling pressure after Whitbread investment, the quoted arm of the drinks and leisure group, said it was cutting its holding in various drinks groups below 15 per cent. Those worst affected included Boddington, down 9p at 159p, Marston Thompson, 3p to 259p, and Devenish, 2p

to 254p.
The banks suffered a late fall amid reports that Goldman Sachs, the New York securities house, had downgraded its profit esti-mates for 1993-4. There were losses for Bardayi, 13p to 326p. Lloyds, 17p to 415p. Midland, 6p to 464p, National Westminster, 7p to 320p, Royal Bank of Scotland, 6p to 178p, Standard Chartered, 8p to 417p and TSB Group, 4p to 136p.

MICHAEL CLARK

AH!

WOR D MARKETS American blue chips slip in morning

New York — Blue chips were slightly lower in the late morning as investors showed little inclination to buy given the uncertainty about the economic recovery, the presidential election and forthcoming quarterly results. The Dow

Jones industrial average fell 6.29 points to 3,324. dered early gains to close lower. The Nikkei index gains to close lower. stipped 60.71 points, or 0.36

per cent to 16.657.07. Turnover was only about 150 million shares, compared with 337 million on Friday. Most investors, keeping a cautious eye on the G7 summit in Munich and a Bank of Japan branch managers' meeting yesterday, stayed on the

☐ Frankfurt — Shares ended narrowly mixed with a lower with little hope left that the summit could call for a German interest rate cut. The Dax index ended 4.62 points lower at 1,772.36.

☐ Hong Kong — Prices ended lower on mixed selling by funds and investors before the close after bargain-hunters helped to trim morning losses Hang Seng index closed 37.08 points, or 0.61 per cent. down at 6,024.77,

☐ Sydney — Shares closed marginally higher in the slowest day in nearly three months. The all-ordinaries index closed 0.4 of a point higher at

lower in sluggish trading as investors remained on the sidelines due to a lack of incentives. The Straits Times industrial index closed at ooints

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Closing Prices Page 27

428p (-17p)

NEWS of the rise in Italian interest rates and the reluctance by Germany to move ears to have effectively scuppered any hope of a similar reduction by the Bank

THORN EMI 773p (-17p)

As a result, prices in the gilts market came under pressure with institutional investors choosing to take profits in the wake of the strong gains in the market. Prices at the longer end dropped £3/16. Dealers reported little support for the £1 billion of tap stock issued on Friday. Most of it appears to have been left with the Bank. The only demand was for the £100 million of 2½ per cent indexlinked, which appears to have been readily absorbed.

Brokers were unperturbed by the falls. Many of them have been convinced for sometime that the government is in no rush to reduce interest rates.

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Testing the water for a rate cut

peculation about a cut in British interest rates is likely to intensify after the tentative signal sent by the Bank of England to the money markets last Friday. Government officials are not ruling out the possibility of Britain, perhaps along with France, edging down interest rates, especially if there are indications that the Bundesbank could start relaxing its policies within the next few months.

The Bank of England's monetary operations on Friday were probably intended to test market reaction to a possible rate cut, rather than signal that a decision has been made. The Bank was inscrutable in its market operations yesterday, which were pointedly neutral. But, as in the past, the authorities will watch for selling pressure on sterling, its movements within the ERM grid and even the sterling/dollar exchange rate, which is now well placed to absorb a British interest rate cut. The Bank would prefer money market and futures rates to start discounting a cut in interest rates before making an official move.

If the markets react calmly, the Bank could send a clearer signal within the next week or two. A rate cut of only a quarter of a point would be most likely, bringing Britain's short-term interest rates down to the same level as Germany's for the first time in more than a decade. Treasury and Bank officials do not consider sterling's bottom-ranking position in the ERM an insuperable barrier. The Treasury has never accepted sterling must be near its ERM midpoint, before cutting interest rates.

Officials have repeatedly said that until the narrow band is formally introduced, Britain can take advantage of sterling's full 6 per cent range around the mark. However, Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, is determined to avoid any move that might

weaken the credibility of his ERM commitment. Officials say that, with the general election out of the way, he would be ready to raise interest rates if the foreign exchange market reaction to any future cut were unexpectedly adverse.

Beating BCCI

year and a day after the closure of the Bank of Credit and Commerce International, the Basle Committee on Banking Supervision has given worldwide regulators the tools to ensure that a similar fraud is never perpetrated again. The fourpoint "minimum standards proposal" is the most significant document to emerge from Basic since the capital convergence agreement in 1988. The terms should establish a series of checks and balances to ensure that incompetent regulators and irregular institutions are ruled offside.

The agreement would have called a halt to BCCI's misadventures years ago. The first clause requires every international bank to have a home-country authority that can regulate the entire group. BCCI intentionally avoided this by using dual registration in Luxembourg and the Cayman Islands, neither of other clauses would have allowed countries like Britain to have barred BCCI from its borders until it submitted to effective regulation. If the bank had refused, it would never have been able to spread across more than 70 countries. If BCCI had accepted. regulators could have spotted irregularities long

Fine words are worthless, however, unless regulators are given the resources to exercise them. Effective regulation is still the exception rather than the rule in most countries, particularly in some offshore centres. Regulators like the Federal Reserve and the Bank of England must now take the lead in promoting their skills around the world and reminding others of the perils of ignorance.

EUROPEAN VIEW

Seeking a sacrificial Euro-lamb for an unpopular competition policy

Wolfgang Münchau

looks at ways to make competition policy more acceptable and effective in the face of opposition

from nation states

enmark's success in re-minding the world of its place on the map will probably not change the course of European history. Yet, in the short term, the Danish vote against the Maastricht treaty will require the rest of the European Community to take remedial action.

Since the treaty cannot be renegotineeded. A sacrificial Euro-lamb, a policy area that can be safely "de-Europeanised" to show the world what the community means when it says "subsidiarity", may be the answer. Sir Leon Brittan and his ideal candidates for such an approach, and this not only because of the Danish referendum.

Sir Leon is apparently not entirely opposed to the sacrificial lamb idea. though he may not agree to serve as such and would certainly not agree to more extreme variants of increased subsidiarity that include the closure of his own department.

Hardly anyone would wholeheartedly applaud EC competition policy as it stands. Competition hawks, mainly the British and the Germans, find European competition policy too soft and politically influenced. Last week, Britain criticised the decision to allow a Fr6.7 billion French government aid scheme for Bull, the French state-owned computer maker. Michael Heseltine, who is not one of Sir Leon's closest friends, has criticised the decision as "very disappointing". and fears that it may lead to a "subsidy race" in the European

computer industry. The doves feel that the European competition policy is far too strict, designed to prevent what they would regard as otherwise sensible policies, such as subsidising a company in difficulties. Sir Leon has had a series of run-ins with the French governent over industrial policy, though it should not be forgotten that French industrial dirigisme is the result of a democratic process. The appointment of a European Commission is much less so. And that is part of the problem. Between the extreme arguments expounded by the hawks and the doves, there exists a good case for handing back some EC powers to national governments, though only in certain circumstances and under

tight rules. This is not an argument against EC competition policy, the principles of which remain worthy of support. Indeed, one could even argue that there exists hardly a policy area better suited for Euro-federalism than this



Michael Heseltine: given subsidy race warning

one. From next year onwards, the EC

will form a single market in which

goods, services and people can move,

theoretically at least, unhindered

across borders. Yet, if one changes

from a national to a European

market, then by implication one

would would need to accept the

change from a national to a Europe-

an market policeman. My criticism is

that European competition policy is not working properly, and that the

The organisation of the two-year-

old EC regime on mergers and

takeovers is a typical Franco-German

fudge. The institutional procedures

are based on Germany's cartel law.

especially the dual procedure whereby the commission decides in a one-

month preliminary investigation whether to allow the matter to

progress to a four-month scrutiny.

French dirigisme is represented in

the final stage, in that the decision

making process is secret and that the

politicians, here the full commission,

institutional set-up is flawed.

and not the bureaucrats, have the final say. For example, when Sir Leon's department tried to persuade fellow commissioners to block the takeover of de Haviland, he had to overcome strong opposing pressures from fellow commissioners. On that occasion he won, but there have been debates over state-aid, like subsidies to Thomson SA, the electronics group, in which Sir Leon was outvoted by his fellow commissioners.

he lack of independent deci-sion lies at the heart of the problem, and this is why competition policy works well in Britain and Germany, and it works far less satisfactorily in Brussels. This is not the commission's fault but has something to do with the lack of European consensus over competition policy.

This lack of consensus prevents the adoption of what must surely be the most open and effective system: an independent cartel office, which

Sir Leon Brittan: fighting France on subsidies

makes its findings public. Under an independent system, politicians, in this case the commission, would usually still be able to overrule the bureaucrats and technocrats, on national interest grounds for example, but the whole process would take place in the public arena. Independent institutions, such

Britain's Monopolies and Mergers Commission, or Germany's cartel office, and indeed the Bundesbank, exist and succeed precisely because they enjoy public support. Their role is to implement pre-determined policies, but not to create these policies themselves. In the absence of such national consensus, their task is no longer technical, and becomes polit-

ical. If one of Europe's large nations believes in dirigisme and another one in the invisible hand of the free market and the need for healthy competition, then there exists no policy capable of satisfying both. Hence, while European competition policy needs to be independent to be

dent because of these fundamental

Sir Leon would say that the present regime is the best that could have en hoped for in the circumstances. But by yielding to the principles of subsidiarity, the effectiveness and certainly the reputation of European competition policy may be improved.

In the field of mergers and takeovers, subsidiarity can be established quite easily, even without the need to change existing regulations. Under the present regime, the commission investigates European mergers if. among other conditions, the joint turnover of the two companies is more than Ecu5 billion (£3.5 billion). Even if a bid fulfils these criteria, national mergers authorities can ask the commission for permission to investigate the cases themselves. The commission may, but need not, agree. Normally, it does not.

he German cartel office has had ample experience with commission intransigence. It has asked the commission for the right to look at predominantly German cases three times. Each time, the answer was no. Wolfgang Kante, who retired as the cartel office's president last week, suggested recently that the power of investiga-tion should shift back to the national authority, which in turn would undertake to stick to European merger rules and regulations.

The final decision would, of course, be open to challenge in the European Court. This way, we would retain a common competition policy. Brussels would no longer "impose" a decision. It would also mean less political meddling in countries like Germany or Britain; yet there will always be a procedure that would allow either the commission or governments to chall-

This procedure may need some modifications to work properly, and it does not work for state aid, since one could not expect a government to investigate itself. But for mergers and acquisitions, subsidiarity and cooperation with national authorities is

the way forward.

Before the Danish referendum, the talk in Brussels was to lower the threshold above which the commission investigates mergers and takeovers from 5 billion ecus to 3 billion ecus, which would have amounted to a shift in the number of cartel investigations from nations to Brussels. The lowering of these thresholds is no longer on the agenda, and Brussels expects to hand the powers back to nations. The shift may not be overly significant. And once the Danes change their minds - and I have no doubt they will - the situation may reverse once again, and the spectre of a 3 billion-ecus threshold could re-emerge. In the meantime, it is worth recognising that the success of a competition policy is not related to the size of the cartel office's headquarters and the number of its staff, but to the quality of its work. A pinch of subsidiarity

Asda

Big guns out for match at HAC

THE annual cricket match between Lloyd's and the Stock Exchange, dating back to 1922, comes round again to-morrow at its now well-established venue, the Honourable Artillery Company in City Road. The event is sponsored by chartered accountant Robson Rhodes, whose old offices used to overlook the ground, the original idea being that people could wander over from the City at lunchtime or in the evening to catch up on play. Unfortunately, after a bomb at the HAC in June 1990, security is now tighter but spectators are welcome by prior arrangement. Bertie Brazier of Higgins Marchant Brazier, chairman of the Lloyd's cricket club, says anyone carrying a Lloyd's pass will be admitted while Stock Exchange members can contact Mark Felton, secretary of the SE cricket club, at Kleinworn Benson if they wish to attend. The SE is hoping to hang on to the Marriott trophy, which it won last year and is fielding a team including Charles Rowe of County NatWest, ex-Kent and Gla-morgan, Andrew Miller of BZW who has played for Oxford University and Middlesex, and Will Robins of Williams de Broe, whose grandfather Walter Robins captained England and whose father played for Middlesex.

Female factor

DESPITE the wholesale restructuring of the Asda board board from thereasing its rein the last nine months chair-

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man Patrick Gillam says his biggest challenge now is finding a woman non-executive director. Asda has been seeking a suitable candidate since September and as 80 per cent of its customers are women, Asda hopes to appoint one before the notices of the annual meeting go out in August.

Foxed? I'll fax IF YOU are tired of giving directions by telephone on how people can find you, Geremy Thomas, a director of DIS, the information services firm, has the answer. Sick of explaining how to find his offices "in the middle of nowhere in deepest Wiltshire" Thomas has invented a faxmap. For £199 he provides a map with road instructions, local landmarks, hotel information, parking de-tails, and all with Ordnance Survey copyright paid. The next time someone asks how to find you, you give them your faxmap number and the map arrives on their fax. Asked why people do not simply fax a map themselves, Thomas says

providing a map with copy-

right clearance would be too much trouble for many. So far, he has been right. In four weeks he has more than 30 customers including a City law firm with complicated parking and a BMW dealer in Wiltshire. "People say it's much easier to find us now — and they arrive on time," he says.

Chemical reaction

WITH three months still to go before the start of Chay Blyth's British Steel Challenge roundthe-world yacht race, a spate of friendly" rivalry has already broken out between compet-ing sponsors Courtaulds and Rhone Poulenc. On the day Heath Group issued its Golden Guinea challenge via the City Diary, Sipko Huismans, Courtanids chief executive. was entertaining a party of an-alysts and journalists on the Solent and responded with zeal to a "race you home" challenge from Rhône Poulenc, leaving the antagonists for dead. The victory left Huismans with a broad grin on his face after his unsuccessful attempts to have the Courtaulds name painted on the company's yacht in the face of opposition from Jean-Marc Bruel, president of Rhone Poulenc. Bruel insists on strict application of the rule that the race should have only one sponsor per sector, and

says that Rhone Poulenc was

the first chemical company to

sign up. After his boat's defeat,

Bruel is now less likely than

ever to concede the point but

Huismans, whose hatred of

coming second is legendary, is unlikely to let the matter rest.

CAROL LEONARD | board from increasing its re-

BUSINESS LETTERS

Why British Coal should be privatised in one lump

From Mr Jim Lester, MP Sir. As one of a number of MPs with coal-mining operations in their constituencies. I was interested by the exchange of views on the subject of coal privatisation between John Meads of the British Association of Colliery Management and Colin Robinson of the Institute of Economic Affairs in your pages.

I believe John Meads's artide came closer to the truth. In particular, he is right to say that the coal industry does not suffer from a lack of competition. The reason British Coal is having to retrench so rapidly is precisely because the competition to supply fuel to the two main electricity generators is

To be fair to Colin Robinson, he largely concedes this point when he says that the domination of the electricity market by two large generators has left the coal industry in difficulties. He also admits that the debate over whether the generators should be building gas-fired power stations would not be taking

tricity market was truly com-petitive, since the electricity produced from gas will actually cost more than from existing coal-fired power stations. Where he goes wrong is in

defying his own logic by saying that British Coal should nonetheless be broken up into several parts. As a ket power of the generators, he suggests a break-up of the National Power/PowerGen duopoly. This might seem plausible enough, but the fact is that the government has made no such commitment. No-one seriously believes that there is any possibility of such a course of action being pursued in time to coincide with the privatisation of British

It follows that, in the short term at least, the coal industry would find itself in an even weaker bargaining position vis-a-vis the generators than it does already if his advice was followed. It is doubtful that a privatised industry would sur-

place if the over-supplied elec- environment, irrespective of how hard its miners worked, since it would be competing not on price but on considerations of market share.

Taking his own argument to its logical conclusion. I find that Colin Robinson is arguing, no doubt unintentionally, for a reduction in competition. This is not what the government intends. I am confident that privatisation of British Coal will produce an industry of sufficient size and structure terms with the generators than those Colin Robinson proposes. What is vital is that coal moves to the private sector in a way which will give every electricity user the best deal in the long term. Only if the private business can maintain a sufficient size and structure can coal hope to hang on to its markets and ensure that the impressive strides in productivity and reductions in costs and prices continue. JIM LESTER, MP. House of Commons,

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From Mr G. M. Armitage Sir, The recently published annual report of The Boots Company underlines the concern many shareholders have about the continuing marked increase in the remuneration of their directors, often on a scale which bears no relation

to trading performance. In Boots's case there is only a small increase in profit before tax in the past year (7 per cent), and that due to a lower interest charge rather than from improved trading, and in the past two years pretax profit has fallen. That has not stopped the

the past year, including a 66 per cent increase for the chief executive. Much of this is due to a bonus, but it seems to a simple shareholder inconceivable that a bonus should be paid in these circumstances. The wider use of board re-

muneration committees seems

to have done more harm than good, as unrealistic increases continue but with the added "sanctity" of having been blessed by a board committee. Nevertheless a serious problem remains and there is no less an urgency for a remedy. Yours faithfully. G. M. ARMITAGE, 99 Overstrand Road.

Cromer, Norfolk.

A class of his own

From Mr David Wickens Sir. Your banking correspondent (Business, July 2) says that the "Governor wants better training". I would not venture to agree or disagree with that sentiment.

If the need is great I am sure that the Department of Education could discover a suitable day-release course or, if the Bank requires his presence every day, then suitable night classes for the Governor could be found. Yours faithfully,

DAVID WICKENS. Norfolk House. 62 London Road. Newark, Notts.

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Solicitors under siege

Gillian Fazan says not all sole practitioners are Maxwells and suggests steps to beat fraud

working from home and as a sole practitioner, probably earning considerably less than £15,000 this year, though, of course, with much larger gross fees, I feel that Patrick Stevens's article (Law Times, June 23) was largely aimed at me. I have a husband in the Royal lavy who is often absent, and our young children growing rapidly to independence. Mr Stevens seems to wish my early professional demise.

I was admitted 14 years ago. and am qualified to practise in England and Wales and in Hong Kong, Four years ago I set up on my own and now have a good general practice in a busy market town in. Devon. I have done matrimonial work and conveyancing and personal injury work, and assisted in complex company and commercial transactions. My experience is broader and more varied than most, a quality no longer prized in big City firms, but extremely use-

ful in a country practice.
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I am fortunate in having long and friendly associations with members of the local Bar, to whom I often defer. I can also rely on the support of other solicitors, who like myself, and often for similar reasons, have become sole practitioners, but with different expertise, complementary

Mr Stevens suggests that relatively few sole practitioners specialise in legal aid work. but all the five I personally



A part to play: Gillian Fazan, at home with her daughter Isabel, says her wide experience is invaluable in a country practice

reluctant to shoulder. Such work amounts to a free loan of our legal services and the overheads of our offices to the state, and like most legal aid practitioners I am regularly owed hundreds of pounds for long periods for work that I believe I have done honestly and well. How many large partnerships are still prepared to give the £5 fixed fee interviews that the Citizens' Advice

Bureau regularly refer to me? The one-quarter of sole pracutioners who have gross fees of less than £15.000 a year do not sound to me like a community able to perpetrate large-scale fraud or generate one of those "millions missing" headlines. Mr Stevens, however, alleges that sole practitioners are just so many Robert Maxwells.

Whatever Mr Maxwell did in his lifetime, bankers, directors and others may have consilved at, colluded in or acquireced to or were merely going on. What were the

corporate lawyers doing? It would be inappropriate

to occupy moral high ground. They eagerly prof-fered their services to 1980s entrepreneurs who turned out to be fraudsters and made millions constructing impene-trable company labyrinths. drafting banking agreements. preparing takeovers, mergers, share issues and stock market

listings now all so useless. And

in famine, like vultures, they

least on the corpses. Recently The Times pubshed a league table of earnings in some of the leading law firms doing corporate business. In more than ten firms the senior partners paid themselves more than £100,000 a year. The highest-paid received more than £350,000.

et I am every bit the equal of one of those partners. I pay my Law Society indemnity insurance to guard against professional negligence just the same, and now I am asked to pay into the compensation fund on the same flat rate. For the £15,000 fee-earner this is for the big City solicitors, who 6.3 per cent of gross earnings,

£100,000. I think I am paying more than my fair share to make up for my colleagues' wickedness or incompetence.

I do not deny that sole practitioners have been responsible for a disproportion-However, rather than wish the demise of anybody or any group professionally or personally, let us address the causes of dishonesty and

i have two suggestions. The first is better financial training for solicitors. I received almost none, except a two-week crash course before an accounts examination and on qualification a slim volume on the ional conduct of solicitors. Few solicitors have training in business finance or financial management. The secrets of partnership finance are as closely guarded as those of a medieval guild and just as arcane. I know of quite senior

ship finance is discussed. Given the wealth of rules that exist, a solicitor setting up Thow do some, providing a are widely regarded as the fees compared with less than 1 per on his own is highly likely to service that large firms are sharks of our profession, to try cent for somebody receiving get into a muddle. That is why

I employ an accountant to check my client account balances, formerly every three months, now every month.

LAW TIMES

The second suggestion concerms ilat-rate contributions to top up the compensation fund. Mr Stevens wants those guilty by association to frot the bill. I am all in favour of separating the sheep from the goats. I should like to start by breaking the Law Society's monopoly in this area. It may not be possible to insure against one's own criminality, but groups of lawyers should be allowed to take out an insurance bond. The insurer would want to examine the actuarial risk. The actuary might find that certain groups, including some among the 3,500 sole practitioners as well as some partnerships with flashy cars. should pay higher premiums for their greater risk.

Peculiarly English and harder to find

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"THE JP is cheap, he is pure, he is capable but he is doomed. He is to be sacrificed to a theory on the altar of the spirit of the age." This observation was made by a historian called Maidand in the 19th century when ustices of the peace were relieved of their

administrative duties.
Since that time, however, the judicial responsibilities of justices of the peace have increased considerably.

Today, "the great unpaid", of whom there are about 30,000, grapple with ever more complex legislation and procedures and preside over hundreds of courts every working day, dealing with 98 per cent of the criminal cases heard every year.

To outsiders, this is the strangest of systems, consisting as it does of ordinary people with no legal qualifications whatever.

Yet in its peculiarly English fashion. dating back to 1327, it works extremely well. And its justifi-cation is based largely on the relationship between justices and their legally qualified clerks. Under this arrangement the justices bear sole responsibility for findings of fact while the clerk of the court advises on matters of law and the extent of judicial powers.

In fact, it appears that there are fewer complaints against the decisions of JPs than against those in the superior courts. Lord Hailsham, when he was the Lord Chancellor. pointed out: "I believe the magistracy to be the most popular branch of the judicial system except, perhaps, trial by jury." Popular or not, the lay

magistracy remains something of a mystery to most people. Where do lay magistrates come from and how do they become

Until now, the committees that advise the Lord Chancellor on such appointments have been able to keep the names of their members secret. By December 31 this year, however, a published list of members will be compulsory.

If this new spirit of openness, along with the national advertising for justices, which has been going on since 1985, encourages more ordinary people to apply, it will do nothing but good.

The public image of justices, however. remains that of the middle-aged, middledass do-gooder who has nothing better to do than to sit in judgment on others. That the image is far from the reality seems to make

In more than 15 years on the bench, I have

yet to see a be-hatted lady or a blimpish colonel. Colleagues range from teachers and doctors to builders and shop-floor workers. There are academics and social workers.

Yet there are still too many like me who are middle-aged and middle-class who can find the time, not only for court sittings, but also for intensive training, compulsory since 1906, and the necessary committee work. Getting time off work is the main problem.

Men between 35 and 45 are thin on the ground but these are the people whose companies look at them sideways if they want time off for such voluntary work. My own company, a newspaper, allowed me the time to sit on the basis that, as the editor put it. nobody ever learnt anything sitting on their backside in a newspaper office."

A Post Office worker I knew who had to give up part of his holidays to fulfil the 26 days a year compulsory for justices in inner London was

not so lucky. There is a definite shortage of people aged 35 to 45 and those from ethnic communities and the shop-floor," says Joyce Rose, the chairman of the Magistrates' Association. 'And the employment situation makes it more and more difficult as employers become stricter about allowing time for

sittings." Despite the difficulties, becoming a magistrate remains surprisingly popular, and some areas even have waiting lists. Between January 1 and May 15 this year, there were 551 resignations from the bench but 701 appointments.

So what is needed to be a JP? Common sense is reckoned to be a vital quality plus a knowledge and understanding of the community in which the magistrate lives.

I consider that patience is also essential. You need the ability to assess evidence and make fair and just decisions," says Mrs Rose, adding the famous quotation from the oath all magistrates must swear, "without fear or favour, affection or ill will."

It is not just hard work or full of sadness. either, although there is plenty of that. I once asked the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate for an example of the light relief that comes to

Sir David Hopkin quoted a comment from one of the regular drunks at Bow Street. On being given a lenient sentence, he declared: "Thank you, guv. You're a gent. There are not many of us left."

• The author is the chairman of a family proceedines court in Inner Landon.

The new traffic act is tougher on offenders but demands changed attitudes

Driving matters more than excuses

which took effect last Wednesday, has a particular theme. instead of worrying about the defendant's state of mind, it concentrates on the state of his driving. The troublesome offence of reckless driving, for example, is replaced by the more straightforward dan-

gerous driving".
There is a new offence of causing death by careless driv-ing under the influence of drink or drugs. The seriousness is reflected in the fact that it must be tried before a judge penalty is five years' jail, an unlimited fine and an obliga-

THE Road Traffic Act 1991, tory ban of at least two years. Although aimed primarily at alcohol-related offences, the charge will cover drivers who are unfit through drugs or any physical condition or fail

to provide a specimen. For the law to be effective, we must change attitudes. In other areas drunkenness affords no defence and little mitigation. Consider the drunk who smashes a glass in a friend's face. If he was very drunk, the prosecution may accept that he did not intend grievous bodily harm but even the lesser offence of malicious

wounding puts him in jail. Dr Peter North, in his Road

Traffic Review, says penalties rarely try to improve the aspect of conduct that has brought the offender to court. Disqualification removes an offender from the road but allows him to return with his road skill impaired by lack of practice. Under the Act, the · court may order an offender to remain hanned unless he has passes a new intensive test. in an ordinary disqualification, a motorist can blame the court, but a driver who cannot

pass the test has the added

embarrassment of falling below the required standard. As an experiment, a count may at its discretion cut a

drink driver's ban by up to 25 per cent if he wants to go on a drink-driving rehabilitation course and will pay for it. Does the Act go far enough?

The best deterrent is the certainty of detection, so perhaps the time has come to review the law on random breath tests. If the procedures are mick and courteous, what objection can there be? There is great incentive to save lives.

MARTYN ZEIDMAN

The writer is a practising bar-rister and the author of A Short Guide to the Road Traffic Act 1991, published by Temple Lectures.

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THE Law Society's annual meeting on Thursday could be lively. Sole practitioners, targeted in recent statistics showing the soaring costs of dishonesty claims against so-licitors, are fighting back. One of the resolutions to boost their role is that sole practitioners should be a "special interest group of the Law Society". A second resolution says a sole practitioner "has a valuable contribution to make to the profession and the community" and "merits adequate representation on the

Law Society council". The solicitors proposing this resolution say 79 per cent of the profession consists of firms with four or fewer partners, and sole practitioners make up 3,800 of the 54,000 solicitors with a practising certificate. Yet only 12 places on the council are occupied by those from firms with five or fewer partners. Small firms fred they should have 2 stronger voice and say the Law Society does not respect its sole practitioners. The council will welcome an opportunity to "consider an application by a representative body of sole practioners" for

recognition as a special inter-Meanwhile, the society may legal education last month from ambiguities when wind-est group.



have been over-optimistic in deciding that it could limit its levy to cover potential losses from fraud by solicitors to £20 million. One specialist solicitor says he alone has more than £20 million worth of claims about to go to the compensation fund.

Student power

WOULD you entrust a case in which you risk losing your home to a group of law students still several years away from qualifying? Hugh Brayne, the director of Newcastle Polytechnic's law dinic, says his students have not lost a case since changes to the solicitors' practice rules allowed them to start doing casework last year. In the latest Legal Action Group bulletin, Mr Brayne remarks on the benefits to his students of learning the law through practical work, particularly as both branches of the profession now require new entrants to have practical skills. The 54 clinic students are organised into "firms", each with about five live cases. They also oppose one another in simulated actions, and, Mr Brayne says, have been helped generously by local solicitors acting as consultants. The polytechnic

held a conference on clinical

and will make the clinic a compulsory part of its degree course next year.

Libel rush

GOOD news for libel lawyers: members of the public are much more likely than a few years ago to see a solicitor in the first instance rather than approach a newspaper direct. The finding emerges from a survey by the Guild of British Newspaper Editors covering



188 newspaper titles. Editors, however, seemed successful still at resolving most complaints without seeking legal advice. This was because the complaints often had no legal basis for action. Court reporting was still the main area for complaint, and as a result some papers had cut coverage. Many complaints result

ing-up orders are published. The press can be relieved that. despite a rise in complaints, only 13 titles, 7 per cent, received a libel writ in 1991. much the same as in the year before. Despite headline damages awards, the highest payout was £20,000.

Young victims

AMNESTY International knows of only seven countries retaining the death penalty for juveniles. Those with the most executions in the past decade are Iran, Iraq and, remarkably, the United States, which at present has about 30 juvenile offenders on death row in 12 states. Amnesty has found that many young people on death row are of below average intelligence and have backgrounds of poverty and abuse. Few can afford proper representation.

No jury

JUDGE Goodman writes that there is no jury in cases heard on appeal by the Court of Arches (Law Times, June 30). The court has five equal judges - the Dean of Arches, two dergymen and two communicant laymen with judicial experience. He also says that the Court of Ecclesiastical Causes Reserved is not made up of "derical judges". The present court consists of two Court of Appeal judges and three who are or have been diocesan bishops.

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A condition attached to fishing licences which was intended to ensure that fishing activities could be monitored and to facilitate the prevention of fraud, failure to comply with was an offence, was not contrary to Community law necause it applied solely to vessels living the flag of the member state

imposing the condition.

The Court of Justice of the European Communities so held in answering questions submitted to it by Elgin Sheriff Coun for a preliminary ruling pursuant to article 177 of the EEC Treaty.

The defendants were the mas-ters of British fishing vessels and were both British nationals resident in Buckie. Banfishire. They were prosecuted for having, on different dates, crossed in their vessels the line of longitude 4 w which separated ICES Areas IV (North Seal and VI (Rockall and West of Scotland) without first reporting that movement to the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries for Scotland, thus Fisheries for Scotland, thus breaching a condition of their

Since March 1989 that condition had been inserted in licences granted to operators of British

vessels fishing for certain species subject to fishing quotas in ac-cordance with the Community rules in force.

The condition enabled the United Kingdom authorities to monitor the quota system more effectively by preventing fish caught in one of those two areas from being declared against the British quota for the other area. Failure to comply constituted an offence punishable by a fine.

At their trials, the accused con-tended that the licence condition was contrary to article 7 of the EEC Treaty and to articles 2 and 3 of Regulation No 101/76, of January 19, 1976, laying down a common structural policy for the fishing industry (OJ 1976 L 20 p19), since it amilies only 1976 L 20 p19, since t applied only to vessels registered in the UK and not to vessels of other member states fishing for the same species in the same areas, and because its adoption had not been notified to the other member

states and to the Commission. The Sheriff Court of Grampian, Highland and Islands at Elgin stayed the proceedings and referred three questions to the Court. In its judgment the Court of Justice of the European Communities held as follows: Conditions attached to fishing

By its first question the national court essentially sought to as-certain whether article ? of the EEC Treaty or article 2 of Council Regulation No 101/76 was to be erpreted as precluding a member state, which made access to its fishing quotas subject to the grant of a licence, from including in such a licence a provision requiring the

that state to report by radio his intention to cross from one ICES area to another, even though that condition did not apply to vessels flying the flag of other member states fishing for the same species in the same areas

In the exercise of the powers ascribed to them by the relevant Community provisions the member states might make access to their fishing quotas by their vessels subject to a licensing system, and might attach certain conditions to those licences until such time as those conditions were governed exclusively by Community law and provided that they were suitable and necessary for attaining the aim of the quotas: see Case C-216/87 Regina v Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. Ex parte Jaderow Ltd (The Times January 19, 1990; [1989] ECR 4500).

ing the conservation of fishery resources did not preclude a condition such as that referred to by the national court since it was intended to ensure that fishing activities subject to quotas could be monitored and to facilitate the prevention of fraud in that area without being disproportionate to the objective pursued. Such a condition could not therefore be regarded as contrary to article 2(1) of Council Regulation No 101/76 because it applied solely to vessels flying the flag of the member state

imposing the condition. As to article 7 of the Treaty, according to the case-law of the Court, that article did not apply to any disparities in treatment or distortions which might result for persons and undertakings subject to the jurisdiction of the Community from the application by a member state of measures that were stricter than those applied in the same sphere by other member

Requirement to notify measures The second question referred to article 3 of Council Regulation No 101/76, which imposed a general requirement that member states should notify other member states and the Commission of any alter-ations which they intended to make to their fishery rules.

Article 2(2) of that regulation provided that the member states were to notify other member states and the Commission of the exist-ing provisions concerning fishing the maritime waters coming under their sovereignty or within their jurisdiction and not pro-visions which they intended to

It had therefore to be held that national measures were to be notified to the Commission, but not necessarily prior to their

Effect of failure to notify By a supplementary question the sheriff court sought to determine

whether failure to notify a national control measure, such as the condition described above, affected its validity even though it might in substance be compatible with Community law.

In view of the fact that the adoption of such a national mea-sure was not made conditional on its prior notification to the Commission, the notification requirement in question had to be regarded as having been laid down for the purposes of information only.

Consequently, the absence of such notification did not affect the validity of a measure which sarisfied the other criteria mentioned in the relevant provisions of

On those grounds, the Court (Sixth Chamber) ruled: I Article 7 of the EEC Treaty and

article 2(1) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 101/76 were to be interpreted as meaning that a member state which made access to its fishing quotas subject to the grant of a licence was not pre-cluded from including in such a licence a provision requiring the master of a vessel flying the flag of that state to report by radio his intention to cross from one ICES area to another, even though that condition did not apply to vessels flying the flag of other member states fishing for the same species in the same species in the same areas,

2 Under article 15 of Council 2 Under article 15 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2241/87 of July 23, 1987 establishing certain control measures for fishing activities (OJ 1987 L 207 pl), member states were required to notify to the Commission a condition such as that described above which they rut in licenses until the control of the council of the c put in licences which they granted to vessels flying their flag authorising such vessels to fish against their quotas.

3 Failure to notify a national control measure such as the con-dition described above did not affect its validity under Commu-

of violence Gray v Criminal Injuries Compensation Board

Before Lord Weir

[Judgment May 13] Where a bigamist procured sexual intercourse with a woman by purporting to marry her while representing himself as free to marry, he did not thereby commit a crime of violence against her in terms of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme.
Lord Weir, sitting in the Outer

House of the Court of Session, so held, dismissing a petition by Jane Kilpatrick Gray for judicial review of a refusal by the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board to

Mr Ronald Clancy for the petitioner; Mr Neil Brailsford for the respondents.

LORD WEIR said that para-graph 4(a) of the scheme provided that applications for compensation would be entertained where an applicant sustained personal injury directly attributable to a crime

In 1987 the petitioner had become friendly with a man named Watson. In December 1988 she had become engaged to him. She had understood from him that he was divorced.

After their engagement and before their marriage they had had sexual relations on one occasion. After the marriage in March 1989 they had had sexual intercourse on approximately six occasions.

in August 1989 Watson had disappeared. The petitioner had reported that to the police, who had subsequently advised her that they had found him living in England. His true name was Dolman and he was married and living with his wife and children.

As a result of that discovery the petitioner had required to attend her doctor for stress. If she had known that Watson had been married she would never have had a sexual relationship with him. The board had found that no crime of violence had been committed.

The petitioner founded on section 2(b) of the Sexual Offences (Scotland) Act 1976 which made it an offence to procure by false pretence or false representation any woman to have unlawful sexual intercourse. The false pre-tence had been that he was free to

The crime had been perpetrated on each occasion when the parties had had intercourse after the pretended marriage ceremony. Moreover, she submitted that his conduct had been analogous to an indecent assault such as where a man had sexual relations with a sleeping woman (HM Advocate v Sweenie ((1853) 3 Irv 109)).

The meaning of "crime of violence" was "very much a jury point": see R v Criminal Injuries Compensation Board, Ex parte Webb (1987) 1 QB 74, 79) where Vand Institute I surpose lead and there

the board "will recognise a crime of violence when they hear about it, even though as a matter of semantics it may be difficult to produce a definition which is not soo narrow or so wide as to produce

absurd consquences. . .". The argument for the petitioner in support of the existence the crime of violence had depended upon looking at the effect of the behaviour rather than upon the nature of the crime.

However, the proper approach was to look at the nature of the crime and ask, were the acts of sexual intercourse crimes of vithe answer had to be in the

suffered by the petitioner had been the commission of the crime of bigamy and the discovery by her of that. It was to that act that her injury was attributable. Neither that in itself nor the deception involved had contained any ele-

ment of violence It might be said that an offence under section 2(b) had been committed but the offence had not been one attended with violence. Moreover, his Lordship was not prepared to affirm in the absence of authority that acts of intercourse authority that acts of intercourse in the context of a bigamous marriage constituted a crime at

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Find the real cost of legal aid

John Appleby

bemoans the

government's

attitude to a vital service

n the wake of the Legal Aid Board annual report last week, the National Audit Office comes out tomorrow with findings on the administra-tion of legal aid. In another report this week, the Lord Chancellor's Department responds to criticisms of the criminal legal aid system.

Press coverage of the board's annual report was dominated by its concern about rising costs. Regret-tably, the report takes a simplistic attitude to the subject with doubly unfortunate results it gives an exaggerated impression of the problems of funding the legal aid scheme, and diverts attention from the board's very useful work in improving access to legal services — much of which has been blocked by the Lord Chancellor's Department.

For example, the board last year said it wanted to help law centres through joint funding with local authorities. That might have been crucial in persuading some local authorities to continue supporting local law centres. However, the government refuses to say when, or how much, money will be available.

Last year, too, the board an-nounced it would issue a consultation paper on duty advice schemes in county courts, chiefly for defendants in housing repossession cases. The proposals would have enabled advice agencies as well as private practitioners to provide this. service. This year, the board reports that the Lord Chancellor's Department has asked it not even to issue its proposals for consultation.

So the government is not content to refuse to make available the very small sums necessary to enable this service to be started - it is determined to stifle debate as well. The board's reputation for independence from the Lord Chancellor's department would be much enhanced if it gave greater prominence to those aspects of its work.

What about the cost of the scheme? Last year, legal aid cost £760 million, including VAT, just ess than £200 million more than in the previous year. First, far more people are receiving help under the scheme. The number of hills for summary trials in the magistrates' couris rose by 12 per cent, and the



number of suspects receiving legal advice at police stations rose by an

astonishing 38 per cent.
Should the board be worried about that? No, it is a success, not a problem. Legal aid is essential in a society committed to a fair system of ustice. The presumption must be that in any case that is important enough to justify public funds for prosecuting it, the defendant should be entitled to legal aid, subject to means.

As for advice at the police station. the number of suspects helped is a deliberate result of government policy. Ever since the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, the government has been trying to make sure legal advice is gemuinely available to suspects in police stations. Until recently, the take-up

The new codes of practice for the police were designed to ensure that suspects were properly informed of their right to free advice. They seem to have been spectacularly successful. The government should be taking credit for this achievement. not complaining about the inevitable consequences it has for the cost of legal aid. What about the cost of individual

cases? The board argues that "the substantial increase in turnover for legal aid practices could have led to greater efficiency and lower average costs. This has not happened". It is concern about the rise in average costs that underlies the vernment's apparent determination to force through its misguided standard fee proposals without waiting for the advice of the Royal Commission on Criminal

owever, is the assump tion that the most efficient firms will tend to have lower average costs justified? It is not self-evidenti so in the field of criminal legal aid. There, the main problem is that there is so much demand for solicitors' services that some practitioners take on more cases than

they can handle. Preparation of their cases is therefore not always as thorough as it should be. Their average costs may be much lower than those of practitioners who limit their caseload to the amount they can deal with thoroughly. However, nobody who cared about the quality of service provided to the client could argue that those lower costs necessarily represent more efficient service.

Last year, the average cost of magistrates' court cases rose by less than 12 per cent. The increase in fees was 7 per cent. Half the gap between those figures is directly caused by the increase in VAT from April 1991.

"excess" increase, about which the Lord Chancellor's Department and the Legal Aid Board are so concerned, is therefore just over 2 per cent. That is the second lowest figure in the past

Increasing demands on practitioners have increased the amount of work needed in the average case.

Inefficiencies in the court system have also had an effect. Despite that, the rise in defence costs during comparable with the rise in the Crown Prosecution Service's costs of dealing with magistrates' court cases. Last year, the rise in defence costs was significantly lower than those of the CPS. As the CPS is generally recognised as being increasingly well-managed, the board and the Lord Chancellor's Department should look wider for explanations of rising costs in the

The Law Society shares the concern that the cost of legal aid is rising so fast, but it is even more concerned that in-depth analysis of the reasons for the rise has not been carried out. It is time to commission independent research into the subiect. The Law Society would be happy to help with that.

magistrates' courts, rather than just

blaming solicitors.

• The author is the chairman of the Law Society's courts and legal services

How firms must sharpen up

Inefficient practice is widespread, a new survey by management consultants reveals

Tinancial and managerial ineptitude is threatening many law firms. So say the management consultant Coopers & Lybrand after a survey that found that as many as a quarter of the 500 firms analysed use financial management standards "very significantly below what Brian Woods-Scawen, a Coopers partner, considers good practice.
Profitability is accordingly re-

duced and there is inadequate investment to enable the poorest performers to remain competitive. The longer-term outcome is likely to be a spiralling downwards by firms that cannot afford the staff nor the information technology to provide clients with the standards they demand. The predictions, published in full in

The Lawver this week, will worry senior partners. The that the old maxim, "Look after your cli-ent and the firm will succeed", will no onger suffice. To cope with the stresses of the recession. it is vital to tighten financial controls to ensure that staff are organised in the most efficient way. Probably the toughest problem for senior partners is the

fee earners. The best-performing firms, Coopers says, have one partner to three fee earners. Coopers argues that these firms need to review work patterns urgently. The survey also shows that despite great investment in com-

puters and word processors by law firms, most lawyers still operate on the basis of one secretary to every fee earner. Hardly any operate with a ratio better than two to one. This is misuse of staff, says Coopers, which advises that cutting staff numbers and making better use of those remaining has become essential for the success, or even survival, of law firms.

To help to steer firms in the right direction, Coopers has produced guidelines as a basis for judging how well a firm is being run in financial terms. They show that in an efficient practice, staff costs

should be no more than 40 per cent as a proportion of fees billed. The badly run practice, by contrast, will be paying at least 50 per cent. As for property costs, the well-run practice should be paying about 10 per cent of its fees billed on its premises. A badly run practice is likely to pay half as

much again. The net result of these differences is likely to show itself in the level of profitability. The good practice should be able to pocket 30 per cent of its fees as profits, before interest or tax while a poorly run firm is likely to end up with just half that amount

The problem facing many firms, however, is that with little sign of an end to the recession, there is no scope for any dis-creet manoeuvres

on property or staff costs. Getting rid of people attracts bad publicity and costly leases may have been entered into at the peak of the boom. Even so. straightforward steps towards improvement sugested by Coopers. One of the most basic recommended by Coopers is measuring "staff utilis-ation". Two-thirds

Brian Woods-Scawen

ratio between partners and other of the firms surveyed failed to measure how their staff were being used. "Significant financial improvements can come from tighter measurement of the extent to which time is charged to clients." the report says.

Mr Woods-Scawen believes that

there is much room for improvement. "Two-thirds of law firms do not produce monthly information across all key performance measures, while a quarter have no annual budget," he explains. "Thirty per cent do not produce monthly reports on their cash position and 65 per cent do not reforecast their cash flow during the year."

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Wimbledon 1992: The verdict on the championships

Agassi short-circuits purveyors of the power game

By Andrew Longmore, tennis correspondent

2pm on the opening Monday of the 107th Wimbledon

championships, Andre Agassi will emerge with pigeon-toed walk and, heaven forbid, base-ball cap to defend his men's singles title. When the tournament began what seems like an eternity ago, the field was certainly wide open, but not that wide open.

IT IS still hard to credit that at

With such heavyweights as Boris Becker, Stefan Edberg and Michael Stich on home ground, the shaggy American figured more in imaginations than calculations. He had neither the experience nor the mental stamina to sustain a challenge to the world's best grass-court players. Nor did he seem the likeliest champion of the baseline brigade, the rock against which the power players would be dashed.

Yet, next year, all of them will have to walk past the noticeboard in the hallway of the All England Club and see the name "A. Agassi" appended to a long and distinguished list of champions. At least Becker, whose defeat in the quarter-final arguably turned the American's hopes into genuine belief, had the per-verse satisfaction of being right about one thing. He was one of the minority who said, before the championships last year, that Agassi had the speed of hand and feet to do well on grass. Not even Becker could

have anticipated just how well. The story of Agassi's triumph is so full of contradictions, you half expected a man with a dapperboard to halt proceedings with a cry of "take two". Until that last misjudged volley by Goran Ivanisevic, Agassi's career had been all flattery and deception. He had been carefully and brilliantly marketed and had made more than enough money, but was unable, as Brian Clough once

1992 WIMBLEDON FINALS

MEN'S SINGLES: A Agassi (US) b) G Ivanisevic (Cro), 6-7, 6-4, 6-4, 1-6, 8-4 MEN'S DOUBLES: J McEntroe (US) and M Stoch (Ger) bt J Grabb and R Reneberg (US), 5-7, 7-6, 3-6, 7-6, 19-17

WOMEN'S SINGLES: S Graf (Ger) bit M Seles (Yug), 6-2, 6-1 WOMEN'S DOUBLES: G Fernandez (US) and N Zvereva (CIS) or J Novotna (Cz) and L Savchenko-Neland (Lat), 6-4, 6-1

MDCED DOUBLES: C Suk (Cz) and L Savchenko-Nefland (Lat) bx J Etingh and M Oremans (Holl), 7-6, 6-2 MEN'S OVER-35 DOUBLES: P Fleming and S Smith (US) bt R Edmondson and K Warwick (Aus.), 6-7, 7-6, 6-4

taunted Trevor Francis, to "show us your medals". Agassi, the whispers had it, did not have the guts to win when it really mattered.

That theory, along with a thousand others, disappeared on the gust of wind which caused Ivanisevic to double fault twice at a vital moment. But it was only blown away finally because, after nearly three hours of ducking and weaving, Agassi had the mental agility to strike when he had the chance. Agassi mastered the art of survival.

MEN'S OVER-45 DOUBLES: M Reissen and S Stewart (US) bt J Newcombe and A Roche (Aus), 3-6, 6-3, 6-3 WOMEN'S OVER 35 DOUBLES: W Tumbuli (Aus) and S V Wade (GB) bi R Casals and S Walsh (US), 3-6, 6-3, BOYS' DOLUBLES: S Baidas and S Draper (Aus) bt M Bhupathi and N Kinane (India), 6-1, 4-6, 9-7 GIRLS' SINGLES: C Rubin (US) bt L Courtos (Bel), 6-2, 7-5 GIRLS' DOUBLES: M Avotins and L McShea (Aus) bt P Nelson and J Steven (US), 2-6, 6-3, 6-3

Ivanisevic and his awesome tally of 206 aces, the game, which was under scrutiny, should be thankful for that mercy. Agassi won the title with a service only marginally faster than that of the women's champion. Steffi Graf. He also won it with a service return and ground strokes of such breathtaking timing and power. Ion Tiriac, manager of Becker and Ivanisevic, suggested the laws of ballistics needed to be rewritten. Nobody measured the speed of

the returns, but the big servers

might legitimately ask who

WIMBLEDON COMPARISONS

Service points won.
First service points won.
Second service points won.
Service returns in.
Points won at net

FASTEST SERVICES (average on first services): Semoras, 115mph: Ivanisavic, 114, Forget, 113; Landi, 111; Stich, Backer, 110. Bates averaged 104; Agasai 99, the slowest of the leading players, Ivanisevic served more than twice as many acee (205) than the next best player in the category, Sampras (100).

should be handicapped now. The issue of power will not go away, but International Tennis Federation officials can sleep more peacefully with a grass-court champion who is neither a giant nor the owner of a rocket-propelled service. For once, the good little un beat the good big 'un.
How Agassi will cope with
his tag of Wimbledon champion will be one of the recurring

themes of the next 12 months. He has not only, with one leap, jumped back above his contemporaries - Jim Couri-er. Pete Sampras and Michael Chang - but become a considerable figure in the game. His predecessor, Michael Stich, did not grow into the role of champion and left the centre court a disconsolate and

unpopular figure this year.
Likewise, Edberg and
Becker, one of whom had reached the last four every year since 1984, lost in the quarterfinals and have to decide whether they have the same desire for competition as John McEnroe. Or have riches and relentless competition blunted their apperites?

Whatever your preference, these were a vintage champi-onships, marked by bright sunshine in the first week, grey skies and rain in the second. In the midst of it all, Jeremy Bates upheld the British flag: McEnroe came full circle, back to the semi-final where he began in 1977 and, with Stich, winning his fifth Wimbledon doubles title; Graf touched new heights on the court; and Seles left tired and muted, but coped admirably with various controversies.

Besides Bates, it was encouraging to see British juniors doing well in both singles and es. Maybe the success of the British No. 1, in coming to within a point of reaching the



Crowning glory: Stich and McEnroe display the spoils of their five-hour Wimbledon doubles final

Champions set a fine example

By Rex Bellamy

THE best features of Wimbledon were Andre Agassi, Steffi Graf, John McEnroe, Jeremy Bates, the doubles, and the improved quality of second services. The worst features were the bad manners of some of the men, which is nothing new, and the transient fashion for unsightly cycling shorts and farmyard noises.

Agassi looked a mess but that superficial deficiency is no more than one should expect of a trendy young man from Las Vegas. The important influences he brought to Wimbledon were the quality of his ground strokes - his ability to profit from an opponent's power, as well as generating his own — and his obvious enjoyment of the game. His pleasure in playing tennis and his eagerness to share that pleasure were always evident.

Graf was exemplary in both play and conduct and the beauty of McEnroe's tennis largely compensated for his surly demeanour and his sporadic self-indulgence in throw ing his rattle out of the pram. Bates earned much praise

but was not given enough credit for maintaining his

game at such a high level against Michael Chang and Guy Forget, who have superior rankings and habitually compete in more demanding

tournaments than Bates does.
The doubles again provided more consistently spectacular tennis than the singles. As for second services, there were players of both sexes who reminded us that the second service is a sound measure of a player's competitive ability. British players in particular do not devote enough practice time to second services and the low volleys, or half-volleys, that



Graf: exemplary

are often the next shots they have to play after second

It has long been puzzling that so many men demean themselves by the rude arro-gance with which they address umpires. The same issues could be raised quietly and courteously. Jack Kramer tells a story of the time he lost confidence in a line judge who was having a bad day. Kramer, with civile, had a private word with the line judge and added that he would ask for a replacement. This was done. without any unpleasant fuss. Kramer dealt with a problem in a manner that should be as

common now as it was then. Cycling shorts often look ridiculous but can be dismissed as a passing trend. The farmyard noises, most audible in the case of Monica Seles but by no means peculiar to her. are all the more surprising in an age when refined rackets supposedly can make the task of hitting a tennis ball less of

an effort than it used to be. The grunting and screeching are acceptable in sports that involve no opponent. In tennis, they are a distraction and offend two rules of the game. Those rules have been

applied in circumstances that attracted no publicity. At the highest level, the application of the irrelevant rules depends on the willingness of players to risk accusations of pettiness or sour grapes by protesting. One may reasonably make a rough analogy with golfers, who expect silence from all amund them when they are preparing

to strike the ball. Nor should we forget that the once notorious "spaghetti" racket was banned partly because there was no sound of ball on racket, no early hint of a shot's nature. Any noise made by the striker has a similar effect in a different way, drowning the impact of hall on racket.

One has sympathy for television commentators. Some seem to have degrees in platitudes but all are afflicted by the need for urgent, unedited comment. Producers have an awful lot of time to fill during rain breaks but should have the initiative to offer us more than films of ancient matches. I have sometimes wondered how our sports editor would react if I told him: "No tennis today. But I did a good piece on the 1972 final. Could we

reprint that?"

Faithful flock to McEnroe finale

BY ALLX RAMSAY

JOHN McEnroe proved yesterday that he can still win a Wimbledon title and he can still pull a crowd. More than 6,500 people piled into every available seat, perch and vantage point to watch him and Michael Stich win the doubles title 19-17 in the fifth set against Richey Reneberg and Jim Grabb.

The atmosphere on No. 1 court was reminiscent of the middle Sunday at last year's championships. The spectators had queued for hours to see McEnroe and he did not

be his last appearance at the All England Club.

"It was certainly one of the best receptions I've had," McEnroe said. "It was incredible to come back on Monday and see that. It really pumped us up, the buzz and to have that excitement.

needed to decide the title. But another 34 minutes.

The match had been held

over from Sunday night with the scores level at 13-13. That score had already broken the record as the longest Wimbledon doubles match in terms of games. There was the fear that yesterday could be an anticlimax, with only eight points McEnroe and Stich held the attention of the crowd for Neither team showed a

Reneberg began to crack under the strain. A double fault gave a hint of nerves and a McEnroe lob broke him as the crowd's favourites edged ahead for the first time in the set, 18-17. After a Stich smash to set up match point and a McEnroe service winner, the battle was over after five hours and one minute, 5-7, 7-6, 3-6,

7-6, 19-17.
"I can't top that as far as

Ivanisevic climbs the rankings list

ANDRE Agassi's Wimbledon men's singles triumph has lifted him five places in the world rankings to No. 9, while the runner-up. Goran Ivanisevic, climbs from eight to a

career-high of four. The top three, Jim Courier. Stefan Edberg and Pete Sampras, are unchanged, but the 1991 Wimbledon champion. Michael Stich, slumps to No. 8. swapping places with Ivanisevic. Boris Becker, another former champion. continues his slide, falling to No. 6, while John McEnroe, who reached the semi-finals,

goes from 30 to 17. Jeremy Bates, of Britain, who came so close to reaching the quarter-finals, moves up from 113 to 90. The attendance yesterday of

7,798 brought the total attendance for the tournament to 372,853. The aggregate is an increase of 19,336 on 1991. Meanwhile, Nick Bollettieri's proposal to assist Britain in its quest for a champion was praised by David Lloyd. This is a great opportunity for British children," he said.

British Children, " he said.

LEADING ATP RANKINGS: 1, J Course (US), 3.8650; 2, S Ecberg (Sne), 3.1853, P Sampras (US), 3.286; 4, G Ivarriseva (Cro), 2.325, S, P Korda (Cr), 2.205, S, B Socker (Ger), 2.114; 7, M Chang (US), 2.071; 8, M Stich (Ger), 1.948, 9, A Agassi (US), 1.813; 10, G Forget (Fr), 1.913, 11, C Costa (Sp), 1.809; 12, I Lendi (Cz), 1.543; 13, R Krajcak (Hol), 1,444; 14, A Krickstein (US), 1.352; 15, B Gébert (US), 1.342; 16, W Ferreira (SA), 1.317; 17, J McErnoe (US), 1.246; 18, A Voltov (CIS), 1.218, 19, E Sénchez (Sp), 1.206, 20, S Bruguera (Sp), Leading British: 90, J Banes; 149, C Wilchmon; 2/2, C Bedley, 216, A Cestle; 245, M Fetchey; 293, D Sapstord.

The only way would be to win the singles, but the score wouldn't have to be that

were taken aback by the response of the crowd. "That's the best way to show the players they really appreciate what you're doing." Such said.
McEnroe, aged 33, is not saying whether he will be back. He has said in the past that he would like to go out on one last important victory. This is not what I had in

any tournament, it's nice, but win a grand slam, it's incredible and that's the way this was." As a warm-up act, Cyril Suk and Larisa Savchenko-Neiland won the mixed doubles title, beating Jacco Eltingh and Miriam Ore-mans of Holland, 7-6, 6-2.

mind," he said. "If you win

O'THER RESULTS: Boys doubles: Quarter-linal: S Baidas and S Draper (Aus) bit L Amold and G Edis (Arg), 6-1, 6-7, 6-3 Semi-linals: M Bitupathi and N Kinane (India) bit E Aberos (Med) and A Redulescu (stateless), 6-3, 6-4; Baidas and Draper bit C Madagain and A Fecherdson (GB), 7-6, 6-4. Girls doubles: Quarter-linal: M Avotins and L McSnea (Aus) bit J Pullin and L Woodroffe (GB), 4-6, 6-1, 6-2. Semi-linals: P Nelson and J Staven (US) bit L Courtors and N Feber (Be), 3-5, 5-4, 11-9, Avotins and McSnea bit E Geven and L Horn (SA), 6-4, 6-4.

GYMNASTICS

Balancing act in big league

By Peter Aykroyd

SUPERIOR teams from the new republics of the fragmented CIS are likely to force Britain down the world league table after the Barcelona Olympics, but the British men's team is determined to justify its place in the sport's

first division at these Games. For the first time. Britain is among the 12 elite nations qualified to compete in Barcelona after last year's world championships

Eddie van Hoof, the British coach, is optimistic that the squad will finish in tenth or eleventh place. "We are deter-

GREG Whyte was absorbing the news yesterday that he will

be going to Barcelona as the

British team's fourth man, the

travelling reserve (Michael

mined to show we have arrived in Barcelona by merit and

not by luck," van Hoof said. The seven members of the men's squad are working at Lilleshall National Sports Centre until they fly to Barceiona on July 18. Their first competition is the compulsory exercise on July 26. Their preparation has included high-altitude training in Colorado, trial performances, the world and European championships, and testing in several internationals.

Concentration, creativity and consistency will be essen-

MODERN PENTATHLON

Whyte unlucky to be odd man out

news. Their problem was that

Whyte, whose only real weak-

ness is running, is worth his

place in any team. But this year's British squad is excep-

tial for both the compulsory and voluntary exercises. Neil Thomas, the national champion, and James May and Paul Bowler, both past British champions, could join the leading 36 performers in the individual all-round finals. Thomas and May are capable of reaching the individual floor and vault finals, respectively. Thomas would then be a medal possibility. Terry Bartlett, the team captain, is tackling his third Games. Marvin Campbell. David Cox and Ian Shelley all

have international experience.

stealing a point.
Sandringham's away record is good, considering their

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VICTORIA THIRD DIVISION 2 Brighton v Eltham 1 Clannda v Dandenong

VICTORIA FOURTH DIVISION X Boronia v S Wembee 1 Cranb'me v Heidelberg 2 Langw'n'n v S Sprigvilë

TREBLE CHANCE (home teams) Broadmeadows, Waverley, Regent, Borona, Frankston United, Williams-town, Croaba, Elizabeth, Para Hills, Noarlunga, Capalaba, Latrobe BEST DRAWS: Broadmeadows, Waver-ley, Croalia, Elizabeth, Para Hills

good enough to get a draw out of their trip to Waverley, who are out of sorts.

POOLS FORECAST

The South Australia first division promises to be a happy hunting ground for draws with Crnatia v Salisbury, Elizabeth v Polonia and Para Hills v Lion-Grange likely to finish all square. Note the void fixture, Fremantle v Athena (match No. 30), which is now being played on

low position. It is certainly Sunday. Mornington v Hawthom
 Pascoe Vale v Yarraville
 Rosanna v Geelong R VICTORIA FIFTH DIVISION

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WEST AUSTRALIA SECOND DIVISION Armadale v Forrestfield Ashfield v Canning

SOUTH AUSTRALIA FIRST DIVISION

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er. Jim Leyland, said after the

Partnership still prospering

By MIKE ROSEWELL, ROWING CORRESPONDENT

mond Sculls Trophy to Rorie Henderson at the Henley Regatta on Sunday added another link to a partnership that started in 1977. In that year, Henderson and Garry McMullan were selected as the junior double scull for the world championships in Finland. After loading their boat for the event, Henderson and McMullan were involved in a car crash that left McMulian in a wheelchair and turned Henderson away from the sport for some years.

After his win on Sunday,

and before McMullan, who began building boats six years ago, was wheeled into the Leander Boat House to join in the celebrations. Henderson said: "Do not forget that Garry made the boat."

In a year in which Olympians, apart from the Canadian double scull, were absent, it was very much a dub and student regatta, but the standard was illustrated by the toppling of records and series close contests. Leading lightweights, preparing for the world championships in Montreal in August, were

competing, as were many of the British under-23 team for the world championships in Strathclyde this weekend.

The regatta, as always, produced its disappointments and dramas. Oxford Polytechnic, strongly fancied in the Temple Cup, broke a seat on the first stroke on Thursday: { aswimmer risked death in the path of Lea RC in the Thames Cup on Saturday, and the Australian sculler, James Burton, found no boat to race in on Friday, removed by its owner and not, as reported, by Glyn Locke, the boatmakers.

BASEBALL

Pirates are proving hard to overhaul

THE Pittsburgh Pirates may be losing; but they are not losing any ground. They lead the National League East with a 44-37 record, the worst of the four divisional leaders. However, their lead of 412 games is also the largest.

"Some people act like we don't deserve to be a first-place club," the Pittsburgh manag-Pirates had lost their fourth successive game, 2-1 to the was the thought that counted. Cincinnati Reds. "It's not my Hibbard pitched seven strong

fault the rest of the pack can't make a run at us." Despite being swept in a iour-game series by Cincinnati

for the first time since 1980. the Pirates reached the halfway point of the season in first place just as they have in the past two years. They went on to win the National League East in both 1990 and 1991. For the Chicago pitcher Greg Hibbard on Sunday, it

irmings and George Bell hit his second grand slam of the season and ninth of his career, to power the Chicago White Sox to a 4-2 victory over the f Boston Red Sox.

Seeking his first victory since June 9, Hibbard again started shakily. "The first two innings; I had no feet for what I was doing," he said. But after some stiff mental self-examination it all comes in the self-examination it all comes. nation it all came right for Hibbard, who walked five and

struck out two.



team bronze at the Seoul Games four years ago. It was an agonising decision for the selectors, who deliberated for most of Sunday before imparting the good, and bad,

Coleman writes). Competing will be Richard Phelps. Dominic Mahony and Graham Brookhouse, who won the

tionally talented. A gold medal is within reach. To add to Whyte's chagrin he learnt his fate after winning a fencing workout at Aborfield on Saturday, which several epec specialists joined. Among them was Stephen Paul, the national champion and, of course, Barcelona-bound.

In previous years, the man or woman to be reserve at a championship was informed on the eve of the contest. This time the Modern Pentathlon Association was advised by a sports psychologist to ask those on the shortlist their preference. All voted for as early notice as possible. For Whyte his sole chance of competing at Barcelona will be if one of the trio is injured in training or in the first event, the

meadows overtook Chelsea as a result of their victory last weekend, but Chelsea can gain a measure of revenge by

CHELSEA are the only team

in the Victoria second division without an away draw, but

that pattern could be broken

on Saturday when they visit

Broadmeadows. Broad-

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☐ Vince Wright AWAYS: Doncaster, Eltham,

Royal Ascot, the three-year-

old has been allotted 7st 9ib.

hope to get Michael Roberts

to ride." Geoff Wragg said.

and could be suited by the

shorter trip. But firm ground

ed by both Zalon and Charlo.

who are quoted at 7-1 and

10-1 respectively. "They're

both likely runners," said the

trainer. "Charlo has taken his

Sandown race well. All we

need is some decent going."

Gosden could be represent-

is essential."

'He's still well handicapped

"If the weights go up a bit. I



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Sayyedati to pay tribute to her Ascot conqueror

FOUR prominent members of this season's crop of twovear-old fillies will be on view at Newmarket today when Niche, Mystic Goddess, Sayyedati and Toocando contest the Hillsdown Cherry

新海岛特別的基本的最后的一个

Hinton Stakes. All four were in action last month at Ascot where Niche recorded that courageous vic-tory in the group three Norfolk Stakes. As a result, she must now give 5lb to all her rivals and that may well prove bevond her.

In going nap on the Clive Brittain-trained Sayyedati, I am expecting to see her pay a glowing tribute to Sumoto, her conqueror at Ascot, who is already being spoken of as the next Marling in Geoff

Wragg's stable. In spite of that defeat Brittain remains adamant that Sayyedati, who is the product of a mating between two high-class horses in Shadeed and Dubian, is a

filly with classic potential. What I liked about Sayyedati at Ascot was the way that she stuck to her task when pitted against a highly-rated and obviously well-tried performer and also the way that she drew eight lengths ahead of the third horse. That was a clear indication that Sumoto and Sayyedari are both well-above average.

Anyone who saw the flying Lyric Fantasy win the Queen Mary Stakes at Royal Ascot in record time will be only too well aware of her prowess.

So Mystic Goddess and Toocando, her closest pursuers that day, will, along with Niche, form the core of provide a valuable form line

FRET confirmed his stand-

ing among Paul Cole's top

juveniles at Leicester yester-.

day with an impressive four-

length success in the Ansells

Maiden Stakes.



MICHAEL PHILLIPS

between Lyric Fantasy and Sumoto. Saddlers' Half continues

his preparation for the King George VI and Queen Eliza-beth Diamond Stakes when he faces three rivals in the Princess of Wales's Stakes

As Saddlers' Hall enters the fray having already won the John Porter Stakes, the Ormande Stakes and the Coronation Cup. it will be a bold person who bets against him extending his sequence here.

When he was runner-up to Toulon in last year's St Leger, Saddlers' Hall had Luchiroverte a long way behind in fourth place.

Always Friendly is held on Coronation Cup running, in which she finished a commendable fifth. In the meantime, she has finished fourth in Milan in the group one race won by Mashaallah, who is now 5lb worse off for



Brittain: thinks Sayyedati has classic potential:

Fret set to take high rank

at Kempton last month, but

the 2-1 on favourite was never

in danger from three out

time, as he jumped a path

long. Seven furiones suited him much bener," said Cole.

likely to be brought back in distance and the Royal Lodge

Stakes, over a mile, at Ascot-

in September is a more likely

Although entered in the Gimerack Stakes, Fret is unagainst an improper riding

"He was a bit unlucky first

under Alan Munro here.

This seven-furlong event is and stopped racing for a fur-

should not be much between

Twelve months ago this meeting began with Alan Munro and Paul Cole winning the Plantation Maiden Stakes for Fahd Salman with Providence. Now the same combination try to win it again with Lord President. who was beaten a length by Humam in the Chesham

Stakes at Royal Ascot.
Last year Henry Cecil supplied Twist And Turn to finish third and the Newmarket dogs are now barking that he has a leading contender again in Mukhamedov.

George Robinson, our Newmarket correspondent. will not hear of this colt. by Robellino out of Gold Bracelet, being beaten. Gold Braceiet, by Golden Fleece, is a half-sister to that top-class sprinter and successful stallion Thatching from whom Mukhamedov evidently inherits his speed.

Cecil also has more than an outside chance of winning the Fairview New Homes Handicap with Berseto. Carrying eight stone in this company over this trip looks a much less daunting task than taking on the likes of Ezzoud and Hazaam over further at Sandown and Newbury.

In each case Berseto showed the requisite speed before weakening. Last year he also showed the requisite ability when accounting for Kristianstad at Doncaster.

Finally, Lady Buchan, who ran the highly-rated Coniston Water to half a length at Yarmouth a formight ago, can take full advantage of a lenient-looking mark in the H & K Commissions Handicap.

Roberts produced Clive

suspension is to be heard by

the Irish Turf Club tomor-

row. The Irish champion was

banned for three days follow-

ing an incident at Bellews-

town last Thursday. The ban

is due to begin on Saturday,

the day Kinane hopes to part-

ner Market Booster in the

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201 (9) 5-11034 FYLDE FLYER 19 (CD.F.G.\$) (Blackpool Georite & Herald) J Berry 9-7 L. Piggott 202 (13) 21-1 MiGHT MANOEJVRES 65 (D.G.\$) (P Goulandria) H Candy 9-7. W Newnas 203 (5) 140-451 SUNDAY'S HILL 29 (CD.F.G) (3 Hinter) M Blansherd 9-4. J. Pald 204 (2) 013-000 MASTER OF PASSION 24 (D.F.G) (Mrs M Kwee) J Eushos 6-13 R Cochran 205 (1) 23503-6 9*LVANA SARRE 94 (D.F.S) (Mrs R Johnson) P Mitchell 6-10 W R Swithburn 205 (5) 213504 MASTER PLANNER 4 (CD.F.G) (R Cycar) C Cycar 8-7. T Culmin 207 (12) 19-2301 HAZM 31 (D.F.S) (H AHMistouin) H Thomson Jones 8-6. R Hills 206 (10) 4-6124 PLLITE 24 (C.G.) (Shaibh Mohammed) C Britishi 6-4. M Robberts 209 (2) 183-015 MILAGRO 25 (D.SF,F.G) (Mrs D Heimmerson) R Heinon 8-3. W Carson 210 (8) 31-04 SERSETO 14 (8) (3 Kheled) H Cecil 9-6. ... A McClone 211 (4) 3-06106 CASTLERBA LAD 13 (D.F.G.) (Her T Grainteri) R Hollinshead 7-9. J Quian 212 (11) 310 JADE VALE 17 (F) (Mig B Singh) J Hills 7-6. S Dawson 213 (7) 081-204 DON'T SMILE 64 (D.SF,G.S) (B Schnidt-Bochner) M Tompkins 7-7. D Herrieon (6) Long handloop: Don't Smille 7-8.

BETTING: 5-1 Berseto, 6-1 Flute, 7-1 Might Menoeuwree, 8-1 Fytde Plyer, 10-1 Hazm, Mester Plenner, Milegro, 12-1 Dtn't Smile, Sunday's Hill, 14-1 Jude Vale, 20-1 Castleres Led, Master Of Passion, Sylven Sabre. 1991: PANIKIN 8-10 I. Detteri (10-1) J Wherton 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

Brittain's American Boogie to lead close home in the Madagans Claiming Stakes, while North Of Warford completed an across-the-card tre-ble for Mick Naughton, Best Effort and Carlingford hav-ing obliged at Edinburgh.

3.05 HILLSDOWN CHERRY HINTON STAKES (Group M: 2-Y-O filties: £19,305: 6f) (7 runners)

| (GPOUP III: 2-T-U TRIBST, £19,3US; 61) [/ TURNOTS] | (GPOUP III: 2-T-U TRIBST, £19,3US; 61) [/ TURNOTS] | (GPOUP III: 2-T-U TRIBST, £19,3US; 61) [/ TURNOTS] | (GPOUP III: 2-T-U TRIBST, £19,3US; 61) |

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COURSE SPECIALISTS TRAINERS JOCKEYS Aument Air cant 20.9 20.5 19.8 18.2 10.0 16.6 5 Cauthen W Carson Pet Eddery W R Benne

Racing seeks lottery protection Using international com-parisons, the Jockey Club and opening hours are lifted. RACING is seeking to protect

itself against the impact of a national lottery by demanding the reimbursement of any lost betting revenue. Economists predict that the

government's planned lottery could cost racing as much as £8.3 million each year in lost income.

outlined their submission to the Home Office for a slice of the money the lottery is expected to produce.

Horseracing Advisory Council argue that the lottery, which is unlikely to be implemented for two years, poses a major threat to racing's

They are not opposed in principle to a lottery but point out that racing, which is de-pendent on leviable betting turnover, would not be able to compete on an equal basis unless restrictions on adver-

Two options are proposed - direct payment from the lottery, or a reduction in betting duty combined with an increase in levy.

"It is time to make our case known, and work to avoid the worst effects of the lottery," Christopher Haines, the Jockey Club's chief executive said. "It is absolutely crucial to racing that its core funding

is not put in jeopardy."

PER LA CONTRACTOR DE SERVICIO DE SERVICIO DE LA CONTRACTOR DE SERVICIO DE SERVICIONA DE SERVICIO DESERVICIO DE SERVICIO DE SER

4.00 (1m 8yd) 1, AMERICAN BOOGLE (M Roberts, 5-1); 2, Lyn's Return (A Tucleur, 9-2); 3, Demicing Beau I, Pogorti, 5-2 fav). ALSO RAN-5 Lonesome Train, 6 Lord Nessira. 10 Ace Girl (4th), 14 Phi-Man, Arrogant Daughter, 20 Termethe. Royal Prof. (6th), 33 Cheefes (5th), 40 Qualitaritics, Belle's Match, 50 Cat's Boy. 14 mm. 161, at hd. 11, 37, C. G. Sritham at Newsmarket. Tota. 55,60; 52.90, 51.90, 51.40 DF: 50.90, 557; 529.40.

4.30 (5t 2yd) 1, NORTH OF WATFORD (M Roberts, 11-4 lav); 2, Fightler Squasiron (5D Williams, 41); 3, Serious Hurry (G Duffield, 9-2) ALSO RAN-11-2 Don't Ren Me Over (4th), 11-2 Lucy Dancer (6th), 8 Hoffoot Hannish, 11 Minzen Music (5th), 16 Berbezieus, 8 ran, NF Justensmale, 11, nt, 141, 63, 24 M Naughton at Richmond Tota. 53, 20, 51.30, 51.70, 51.70. DF 53.80, CSF: E14.15, Tricmet 194.41

E) 70. DF 19.80. CSF: £14.19. Tricant: bit-42

\$.00 (7/ 8yd) 1. DOULAB'S IMAGE (5 D WRisams, 16-1); 2. Profit A Practice (D tegrs, 7-1); 4. Johnston's Express (J Cunn., 10-1); 4. Johnston's Express (J Cunn., 10-1); 4. Johnston's Express (J Cunn., 10-1); 4. SO RAN 7-2 law Cookab Pranse (bth), 15-2 Bold Setko, 9 Revoke (5in), 9 Sussmar's Secret, 10-Yazaly, 14 Cantle King, Yonge Tender, 20 My Casch Mate. Vandrad Tretze, 33 Harlequer Gel, Miss Bell Hinger, Sly Prospect, Sargeant Meryl, Two Belds 18 ran. NR: State Of Attains Nk, VII. 11, hd, 5-1 Glover at Worksop Tote: £34.40; £9.10, £1.50, £2.70, £2.40, DF, £104.50, CSF: £124.62. Tricast £787 70

Placapor £85.10. Placepot: £85.10.

Edinburgh

Golng: good Going: good 2.15 (6) 1. BEST EFFORT (Pauline Robson, 64 fav); 2. The Right Time (Anthee Farrell, 11:2). 3. Jive Music (Amenda Byeroft, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 13-8 Chelesu Nord (eth) 4 ran. Hd, 14, 3341. M Naughton at Richmend. Tote: £2.10. OF £2.70 CSF, £8.00.

12.70 CSF, £8.00.
2.46 (1m 7: 16yd) 1, MYSTERY LAD (J. Carroll, 4:12, Millings) (S. Meioney, 3:1), 3, Mr Elk (M. Birch, 16:1), ALSO FAN, 13-8 few Bandan (6:0h), 8 Eacadary (4th), 10 Shardra (5:th), 6 ran 11, 71, 1½1, dist, dist, dist, N. Calleghian at Notwinskict 7 dist. (3:st. N. Calleghian at Notwinskict 7 dist. 25.50, £19, 0.0F 212.00 CSF, £14.80.
Arter a stewards' enquiry, result stood. After a stewards' enquity, result stood.

3.15 (Im 4f 31yd) 1, CARLINGFORD (K Felion, 9-4 tax), 2, Not Yet LJ Weaver, 11-11: 3, Wearl Stow (M Brich, 7-1) ALSO RAN 5-2 Demokras (Stin), 14-2 Naseer, 12 Castriness Rock (Stin), 14-2 Naseer, 12 Castriness Rock (Stin), 14-3 Paged Mover, 25 Hitsail, Cheeky Pot (4th), 9 ran, 11, nk, 3/91, hd, 3t, M Nasignton at Richmond, Tote 23-50: \$2.00, \$2.180, \$2.70, \$0.50, \$2.20, \$2.50, \$

Greaves, 3-1); 3, First Play (M Birch, 10-1), ALSO RAN: 8-4 Sparish Thread (Str), 33 Seriesbo (40), 5 tar. 34, 2, 3, 224, J Berry at Cockenham, Toler £2-40; £1-40, £1-70 DF-£3,80, CSF: £4.85.

4.15 (71 15yes) 1. MiCA BIELOW/THE LINE (D. Nicholds, 6-4 Aury, 2, Tullish (Alex Grenves, 6-1); 3, Miss Parkes (L. Chermock, 3-1); ALSO FARN 11 Goodbye Mr Marka, 12 Maximings Rocket (4th), 12 Rawscine (5th), 16 Conce On My Gar (8th), 50 Cumbrisin Chasalc, 100 Bluefaulde, 9 ran, Hd, 1/3, 14, 12, 2hi 8 Beassiny at Hambilston, Totar (1.9); 51 29, 1230, 21-30 DF: \$21.90 CSF, 21-3 30.

4.45 (71 18yd) 1, PEACEFUL AIR (J. Weever, 9-2), 2, Prime Painter (J. Lover, 11-2); 3, The Preciber Expres (D. Nicholis, 4-1), ALSO RAN: Evens the Sweet Describer (5th), 20 Laurel Eleile, 20 Erminancies (8th), 33 Ho-See (4th), 50 Grand As Owt, 100 German Legend, 9 ran 4, rk, 151, sh hd, S E Waymas et Alpicianan, Total ES-70; \$1.30, £2.40, £1.90, DF, £19 60, CSF, £27 90.

S.15 (1st 7T 10yd) 1. FEN PRINCESS (J. Weaver, 10-11 law; Mandarin's 100); 2. Attaclaie (D. Nicholle, 11-4); 3. Crimson Cloud (J. Chernoch, 20-1); ALSO FAN* 15-2 Neceschemes (65th), 5 Shedicisen, 16 Falle Flyer (5th), 20 Kr., 50 Sloux Perfick, Alpha Heix, (4th), 5 rp., 4l, 1l, hd, sh hd, 15 F Heatam at Middlefram Toke E1 90, E1 20, E7 50. DF. E5, 30. CSF: E4,01. Tricsst: £24,84, After a stematch' enquiry, result stood. Plecepot: 257.50

Crystal Path, trained by Mohammed Moubarak, is the sole British runner in the group three Prix Messidor over a mile at Maisons-Laffitte today. The filly, to be ridden by Darryll Holland, has been supplemented at a cost of £10,000.

Hills have cut the Geoff Lewis-trained pair Ortho-rhombus (20-1 from 25-1 for the Stewards' Cup) and Petite Sonnerie (25-1 from 40-1 for the Schweppes Golden Mile) after laying a £100 double.

Blinkered first time NEWMARKET: 6.15 Pagettoy PONTE-FRACT: 420 First Hairsen.

H Cecil J Gorden M Stoute M Prescott J Wington L Cumani PONTEFRACT THUNDERER MANDARIN 2.20 Double Shift. 2.50 Funcon. 2.20 Double Shift. 2.50 Funcon. 3.20 Metal Boys. 3.20 Samson-Agonist 3.50 Causley. 4.20 Sinclair Lad. 4.55 Valere Knight. 4.20 High Savannah. 4.55 Moscatop. 5.25 Chain Shot. 5.25 Chain Shot.

DRAW: 5F-6F, LOW NUMBERS BEST 2.20 WHITELANE PONTEFRACT APPRENTICE SERIES MAIDEN STAKES

| Round two: 3-Y-O: £2,385. 6f) (11 runners) | 1 (4) | 0 CALL TO THE BAR 62 (Mm T Cm) C Cor 8-7. | J Hunter 2 (1) 50-5040 DOUBLE LANK 15 (P Winter) R Hollestrand 8-7. | J Dennis (5) 81 | 3 (7) 54-5050 NORTH FLYER 4 (F Snav) B NotAlphon 8-7 | S Sandors 75 | 4 (2) 40520-3 O'DONNELL'S FOLLY 53 (BF) (Mn M O'Donneth A Bailey 8-7. | D Wright (5) 82 | 5 (10) | 2 DOUBLE SHIFT 22 (K Mercer) R Dickin 8-2 | P Turner 9 99 | 6 (9) 9-2 ERGON 17 Mars D Camp-Surpeor) D Coogreve 8-2 | M Surpeon 91 | 7 (2) 0 FOLLOWANGEGRUB 17 (J Martin) Mis A King 8-2 | M Surpeon 91 | 6 (6) 6 (JZLAAN 16 (A Ali) 6 Harbury 8-2 | V Bray 98 | 15 JOR OF PATRINA 3 (A Alini) 5 Norton 8-2 | C Hawkaley 98 | 15 JOR OF PATRINA 3 (A Alini) 5 Norton 8-2 | C Hawkaley 98 | 15 JOR OF PATRINA 3 (A Alini) 5 Norton 8-2 | J Branthill 76 | BETTING: 7-4 Double Shift, 7-2 Ergon, 5-1 Golsan, 8-1 O'Donneti's Folly, 10-1 Double Lark, 12-1 North Plyer, 14-1 alities 1991: TUDORGATEWAY 8-3 M Godesic (4-1) M Tomplum 10 ran

2.50 TANSHELF MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: 52,427: 1m 4f Byd) (5 runners)

T (10) 200-000 ADWICK PARIL 56 (F.E) (D Taylor) T Berron 4-10-1 Alex Greavels 87 2 (9) 018442 METAL BOYS 8 (CD.F.G) prom Suite Hacrog R Hollestened 5-9-11 Stryme (7) 87 3 (9) 038400- BALLASECRET 238 DJF; (R Actions) R Doler 4-9-2 P Turner (3) 91 4 22 1850-27 BANSON-AGONSTIES 10 (CD.F.G) Wilcox) B MANINON 6-9-1 Date McKeowe 98 (1) 400511 PALACEDATE RACKING 11 (D.G. Petacogute Lin) J Berry 38-11 Date McKeowe 98 (7) 62-730 MY SOVERDIAV 25 DJG; (B Neisbery J Farshaws 38-12 Correl 91 6 (7) 62-730 MY SOVERDIAV 25 DJG; (B Neisbery J Farshaws 38-12 Correl 91 8 340-200 CONSULATE 18 (D.G.S) (R Parison) J Butting 68-5 N Cartists 91 (0) 6002-05 DRIUM SENGEAUT 8 (D.D.S) (N Salens) J Parisos 58-2 N Cartists 91 (0) 6002-05 GROMEP'S EXPRESS 86 (Nats L Sodial) Nea L Sodial 37-8 Findron (8) 93 10 60042-05 GROMEP'S EXPRESS 86 (Nats L Sodial) Nea L Sodial 37-8 Findron (9) 93 10 60042-05 GROMEP'S EXPRESS 86 (Nats L Sodial) Nea L Sodial 37-8 S Malbray (9) 90 BETTING: 3-1 Sameon-Aponistes. 4-1 Metal Boys, 5-1 Pelacogute Rincing, 6-1 Consultate, 6-1 Bendury Physic Drum Sorgeant, 10-1 Action Paris. 12-1 others 1991: OUR FAN 5-8 J Carroll (11-1) J Berry 12 ran

COURSE SPECIALISTS Winners Reserve Percent UCCKEYS TRAINERS Pittles: Percent 278 A Genth 15.3 A Clerk 14.3 B Senders 13.6 W Ryan 13.0 K Felion 13.0 B Repmons

THUNDERER 2.00 Lord President

NEWMARKET MANDARIN 2.00 Mukhamedov. 2.35 Berseto 3.05 SAYYEDATI (nap). 3.35 Lady Buchan. 4.10 Saddlers' Hall. .45 State Dancer.

BY MICHAEL SEELY

CLIVE Brittain intends to be

two-handed in Saturday's

Kildangan Stud Irish Oaks

as Armarama will now join

User Friendly in the line-up

for the Curragh classic.
At Haydock Park on Satur-

day. Armarama, previously

the winner of Ascot's Ribblesdale Stakes, failed by

one and a half lengths to give

5lb to Niodini. "She's taken

the race well," Brittain said.

'She gave her running and is

entitled to take her chance."

5.15 Touch Of White

2.35 NIGHT
MANOEUVRES (nap).
3.05 Mystic Goddess.
3.35 Castilian Queen.
4.10 Saddlers' Hall. 4.45 State Dancer. 5.15 Tongue Tied.

Armarama was already en-

tered for Saturday's race but

User Friendly will have to be

supplemented today at a cost

of 1rE25,000 to Bill Gredley.

George Duffield will re-

sume his partnership with

User Friendly but no jockey

has yet been booked for

Whatever User Friendly's

fate at the Curragh, she will

not be trained for the King

George VI and Queen Eliza-

beth Diamond Stakes. "As

Mr Gredley has already said,

we won't be taking on the

RICHARD EVANS 2.00 MURHAMEDOV (nap). 3.05 Mystic Goddess.

Brittain double-handed for Curragh classic

coits until the autumn in the

best-backed horse yesterday

was Peter Makin's fast-finish-

ing King's Stand Stakes

third, Elbio. who had his

price cut from 9-1 to 7-1 with

Corals report support for

Sheikh Albadou at 11-4 and

the King's Stand Stakes win-

ner is now their joint favourite

leaving the John Gosden-trained Wolfhound as Shaikh

Lion Cavern will not run,

with Shalford at 5-2.

On the July Cup front, the

Arc," Brittain added.

Mohammed's only runner.

Steve Cauthen will ride the

three-year-old, who was stay-

ing on strongly when fourth

10 Sheikh Albadou over five

suit him well and we're hope-

ful of a good run," Gosden

Wild Fire 6-1 favourite for the

John Smith's Magnet Cup on

Saturday, 26 having been de-

clared for the York handicap.

Heavily backed when runner-

up to Source Of Light at

(3-Y-O fiffies: £11,647: 7() (14 runners)

497 (9) 670-00 SWALLOWCLIFFE 31 (G) (Maj & Mrs Kennard & Pertners) P Welwyn 9-7 J Reid
402 (1) 12-43 ENAYA 13 (G) (H Al-Maktoum) R Amstrong 9-5. W Carson
403 (3) 12/12-1 MRS PSRIEM 18 (D,FG) (G Winters) M Prescoti 9-6. G Diffeld
404 (9) 211-82 ROSE INDIEM 12 (CD,BF,P) (Ecune Fustok) M Moubensk 9-6. L Dettori
405 (M) 1-4 MOUNT HELBNA 38 (8F,P) (Shakh Mothammed) H Ceci 9-0. S Cauthen
406 (9) 16-0 CASTILLAN QUEEN 17 (G) (R Sangstar) J Gooden 9-9. R Cochrane
407 (14) 31-41 OLETTE 25 (F) (Sr Philip Opponhemen) G Wregg 9-9. W R Swindum
408 (13) 032 LADY BUCHAN 14 (R Sangstar) J Cacil 8-9. Paul Eddery
409 (7) 0151 MRS HARGIS 8 (F) (P Asquitth) R Bose 8-9 (Sex). Paul Eddery
410 (11) 221 LADY DEBRA DARLEY 12 (D,F) (Mrs M Rimell) R Hanner 8-7. M Roberts
411 (5) S0-0022 ELANMATHAN 25 (BF,F) (P Gregory) C Well 8-6. No Day
412 (2) 296-30 MIMBLE DEER 68 (W Gredley) N Wright 9-5. S Doyle (5)
413 (12) 20-51 BADAWAH 11 (D) (S Fustok) W O'Gormen 8-4. A Mismo

BETTING: 6-1 Mass Happrs, 7-1 Olette, Rose Indian, 8-1 Lady Debra Darley, 10-1 Cashlian Queen, Mount Helana, Mrs Fisher, 12-1 Elementine. Ensys., 14-1 Badawah, Lady Buchan, 18-1 Louiswille Balle, 20-1 Northile Dasr, 25-1 Swaltowckiffe.

1991: GLOWING ARDOUR 9-9 W R Sweeburn (8-1) M Stoute 12 mm

FORM FOCUS

Ladbrokes have installed

"The extra furlong should

furlongs at Ascot.

3.35 H & K COMMISSIONS HANDICAP

(3-Y-O fillies: £11,647: 7() (14 runners)

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.00 MUKHAMEDOV (nap). 3.05 Mystic Goddess. 5.15 Touch Of White.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.35 BERSETO.

GOING: GOOD SIS 2.00 PLANTATION MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O; £4,386, 7f) (7 runners)

LORD PRESIDENT 11 2nd of 6 to Numerom in a bested race at Ascot (8t, good to farm) DECLASSIFIED (losted Feb 5, cort \$80,000) at a heit-brother, by Secreto, to Geallo Fep, if winner as a three-year-old, Dam vary oneful at up to 1m 2t in the United Statios. LACOTTE (Mar 25) in by Saciler's Wells, a brother to 8t juvertile werner Mizzreth, and half-brother to high-class 6t-71 (veretile winner Mizzreth). All of the second feet of an implected neaf-easier to charpon sprinter Thatching PERSIANSICY (Feb 29, Id31,000gns) is a felf-brother, by Persian field, to fin 4t winner feet of an implected neaf-easier to charpon sprinter Thatching PERSIANSICY (Feb 29, Id31,000gns) is a felf-brother, by Persian field, to fin 4t winner flexible to winner field.

2.35 FAIRVIEW NEW HOMES HANDICAP

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Long handicap: Don't Smile 7-3.

FYLDE FLYER 6I 4th of 17 to Shelford in the group of Cork and Omery Stakes at Royal Accot (6I, good to firm), NIGHT MANOEUVHES best Night Jar 11 in a 7-unnar fyted race at Heydook (7I, good to soft), with MASTER OF PASSION 7th. Previously, best SUNDAY'S HILL (5B better off) a sect in a 15-runnar maldan at Newbury (6I, good), SUNDAY'S HILL tost Thes-ce-thails a next in a 15-runnar maldan at Newbury (6I, good), SUNDAY'S HILL tost Thes-ce-thails a next in a 15-runnar based-cap at Newbury (6I, good to film), with MILLAGRO

Can bettle off 41 Sin. MASTER FLANNER 851 411 of 14 to Noble Pet in a handkap at Sandown (74, good to soft). HAZM beet Night Asset William 11-runner handkap at Epson (66, good to soft). FLUTE 254 48h of 11 to Orthorhombus in a handkap at York (66, firm), with MASTER PLANNER (11b better off) a head 5th and MASTER OF PASSION (46b better off) 814 7th.
Selection: FLUTE

entasy in the group II Queen Mary Stakes Ascot (SI, good to firm), with TOOCANDO wree) 11/1 3rd and AMRATI 13th. SAY-22 and at 8 to Sumoto a a majden at Ascot I). SPARK beek lift Nevertaind 21 in a 10-midden at Versey Mr (N) coold 20 firm).

3.20 KING RICHARD III HANDICAP (£3,054: 5f) (10 runners)

4.10 PRINCESS OF WALES'S STAKES (Group II: £40,746: 1m 4f) (4 runners)

ENAYA 4%1 3rd of 15 to Party Cited in a graduation race at Kampton (1m. good to firm) MRS FISHER beat Fusion 2 in a 3-numer auction race at Redcar (71, firm). OLETTE beat ELANMATHA (4th better off) 2 in a 7-numer handcap at Dorcaster (1m, good to firm). LADY BUCHAN ½ 2nd of 7 to Constant Water in a meiden at Yarmouth (1m, good to firm). MSS HASED beat Edgeway 1th in a 8-numer handcap at Wolverhampton (1m, good to

Long handican: Lousville Belle 7-6

BETTING: 2-5 Saddlers' Half, 3-2 Meshasileh, 8-1 Always Friendly, 10-1 Luchinoverte. 1991: ROCK HOPPER 4-9-3 Pet Eddery (4-5 tov) M Stoute 6 ren FORM FOCUS

firm) LADY DEBRA DARLEY best ROSE INDIEN
(48) worse off 24st in a 5-runner auction race at
Salesbury (71, firm). BADAWIAH best Whitefalls
comfortable hack in a 7-runner maken at Lingfield
(AW, 71, standard) LOUISVILLE BELLE 54st 3rd of
13 to subsequently demoted Nashville Blues in a
handicap at Ascot (1m, good), with CASTILIAN
QUEEN (same terms) 8W 10th.
Selection: OLETTE

C4

MASHAALLAH best Separade % in the 10-runner group 1 Gran Premio di Milano at San Siro (1m 4f. ach), with ALWAYS FRIENDLY (5b better off) 1 % in the group I Hardwight Stakes at Royal Ascot (1m 4h. SADDLERS' HALL best Rock Hopper % 1, good to firm).

Selection: SADDLERS' HALL

4.45 CHESTERFIELD HANDICAP (£5,900: 1m) (12 runners)

Long handicap: Use Dollar 7-4. SETTING: 9-2 Supamer, 11-2 State Denoer, 6-1 Absonal, Sahet, 8-1 Little Rouetlon, 9-1 Inseyab, 10-1 Venus Observed, 12-1 Heart Of Denkness, Polonez Prims, 14-1 others.

1001: NO CORRESPONDING RACE FORM FOCUS

VENUS OBSERVED best Sharp N' Smooth 1M in a 12-numer handicap at Kampion (1m, good) on penultimate start. SAHEL 1M 2nd of 12 to Jaidi in a a 15-runner seller at Yarmouth (71, firm), USA DidEman Wi 3nd of 12 to Culet Victory in a handicap at Handicap, here (71, good for soft) DOLLAR best 31 4th of 9 to Shihing Jewel in a handicap at Yarmouth (1m, firm), LITTLE ROUSILLON best Cape Posen W I in a na 18-runner handicap at Salboury LITTLE ROUSILLON Sellebury LITTLE ROUSILLON (1M), 1m, standard).

5.15 SOHAM HANDICAP (£4,935; 5f) (9 runners)

1991: NO CORRESPONDING RACE FORM FOCUS

DOMINUET 2½1 2nd of 5 to Massobe in a handlose at Haydock (6), good to soft). SYLVAN BREEZE 8(8) and of 5 to Mass Bluebird in a conditions race at Postastone (6), firm). AUGHFAD 81 4th of 7 to Running Gimpoe in a handlose at Espain (6), good). NO QUARTER QIVEN 81 5th of 10 to Aincean Chemes in a handlose at Basid (6) 161yd, firm). TOUCH OF WHITE 1½1 2nd of 8 to Crystal Jeck in a handlose at Newbury (6), good to firm). Sefection: TONGUE TIED

Homme De Loi drifting into the path of eventual third Guislaine. However,

☐ Connections of Guislaine yesterday lost their appeal against the result of the Grand Prix de Paris at Long-champ on June 18. They claimed the the result in the belief that Guislaine

outcome was affected by the winner | would not have finished second. 3.50 NYQUIST HANDICAP (23,817; 1m 4yd) (7 runners)

THIS! NO CHARERSONING RACE

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a good barometer for juvenile by Derby fourth Muhtarram

12 months ago, and things look set fair for Fand Salman's Storm Bird colt. "He's one of our nicer staying two-year-olds, like Lindon Lime and Perfect Halo," Cole said. "But he won't run again

objective.
Michael Roberts continued in excellent form, American Punters had burned their Boogie and North Of Watford moving his seasonal tally

fingers when Fret was beaten on his debut over six furlongs to 90.

Racing's rulers yesterday

Leicester Goling: good

2.00 (7) Syd) 1, FRIET (A Murro, 1-2 favt:
Richard Evens's nap), 2, Woodhaumber
(S Cauthen, 7-2), 3, Shue Baszer (G

Duffield, 33-1), ALSO RAN: 14 Kennedys
Prima (5th), 14 Jonselan (6th), 25 Clear
Honey, Kallocciu, 33 Coppost Tal, 50 Share
A Moment (4th), Gypsy Crystal, Daring
Past, Steve's Wonder, 68 Parafashton,
Side Bar, 100 Ambivislentatifitide, 15 ran
41, nk, 1961, 296, nk, P. Cole at
Whistoombe, Tole 21.50, £1.20, £1.30,
£4.20 DF, £1.30, CSF-£3.11

an set 218uch 1, WARM SPELL (L. Delt-

E4 20 DF. 21.30. CSF 23.11
2.30 (5f 218yd) 1, WARM SPELL (I. Dehtori, 4-1); 2, Guv'nors Gift (P Robinson, 8-1); 3, Merry Mermald (P Burte, 7-2 fav)
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Hampshire slip to an unlucky defeat

Randall provides inspiration for Nottinghamshire

By Jack Bailey

SOUTHAMPTON (final day of three): Nottinghamshire (18pts) beat Hampshire (3) by

NOTHING went Hamp-shire's way yesterday. That two of their players, Shaun Udal and Tony Middleton. should be weakened by illness overnight was no help and when, in order to make some thing of a rain-numed match. they agreed a double forfeiture with Nottinghamshire — setting them to score 262 runs from what turned out to be 57 overs - they encountered Tim Robinson and Derek Randail in prime form on an easypaced wicker. They were, in the end, defeated with three overs to spare.

These two put on 153 from 25 overs in the exhilarating style, both falling a few runs short of their centuries, but content in the knowledge that. by the time they were out, Nottinghamshire's fourth Britannic Assurance county championship victory of the

season was assured. Randall, now aged 41, still marvellous to watch from the ring, infuriating, with his antics, to bowl and field against, actually made his 93 from 92 balls. He gave Nottingham-shire just the impetus they

Robinson, responsible throughout, though relatively free in his stroke-making, had been forced to consolidate when Broad had fallen to

MAIDSTONE (final day of

three): Kent (Ipti drew with

THERE was something to be

gleaned about both sides from

this match, and it was not

exactly encouraging. Lanca-

shire had neither the batting

to make 296 off 90 overs, and

Kent had too uniform a pace

attack to bowl them out. The

upshot was a draw, and a

dreary, rather than an hon-

shire last won a championship

match, it is necessary to leaf

back through many a page in their scorer's book. Indeed,

they have won nothing before

or since beating Leicestershire

in May. So Benson had no

need to be circumspect in his

negotiations over setting Lan-

He arrived at this through

Kent taking 113 off nine

egregious overs of joke bowl-

ing. The declaration, then,

required Lancashire to score at

little more than three an over

To find out when Lanca-

Lancashire (4)

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COUNTY TABLE

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Gloucs (13)	11	2	3	6	16	2	7
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Marshall at 21 and both Pollard and Johnson were out with only 83 on the board, but Randall's presence somehow made it all look easy. Robinson blossomed in turn as Randall took the Hampshire

bowling apart. Robinson, largely orthodox, though one flat-batted swat off Marshall past mid-on was anything but, received 142 balls while making 95. He hit ten fours to Randall's 14.

Randall, in turn, defied orthodox attempts to restrain him, making his own length and line and all the while remaining a true disciple of St

Full marks to Hampshire for a spirited attempt to make bricks without much straw. They had experienced a certain amount of bother in getting themselves into a position from which to declare.

For a long time, with Middleton pottering along and

Lancashire lag behind pace

By Ivo Tennant

on a placid, rather spongy

pitch. Neither histrionies nor

slogging were necessary so

long as they got away to a

of Fowler's career, 226, was

made on this ground in 1984

here two years ago. In the

sense that he now scored a

half-century, putting on 112 for the first wicket with

Titchard - albeit in 42 overs

Lancashire should have

Had Fairbrother or Ather-

ton come in next, they might well have done. To be fair to

them, they were far from full

strength. In the event, nobody

other than Watkinson proper-

ly timed the ball. For all that

he carried on making runs on

this ground. Fowler's bat gave

off a sound more akin to a

Titchard eked out 71 in

almost four hours, and when

he went to lgglesden, caught

at cover point off a leading

SOMERSET: First Immode

R P Snett, H R J Trump. A P van Troost and A R Caddick did not bet

FALL OF WICKETS 1-5, 2-43, 2-157, 4-167, 5-211

BOWLING Bishop 17-3-50-1: Warner 22-7-29-2, Cork 22-5-82-1, Sladdin 35-6-111-1 Goldsmith 10-3-25-0

Second Immgs forfelled

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FALL OF WICKETS 1-4, 2-263, 3-265 4-

BOWLING Caddick 13:5-0-55-2, Snet 12: 0-66-2; van Trood; 9-0-77-0, Rosa 6-1-28-0, Trump 6-1-36-0, MacLeay 5-0-27-0 Umpings, K.E.Palmer and D.O.Oslear

Northants v Sussex

NORTHAMPTON Ifinal day of three Northamptonshire (3pts) drew with Susse

SUSSEX: Fest trings

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D M Smith b Capel
J W Hall b Ambrose
N J Lenham t Teylor b Curran
A P Wels o Ripley b Curran
M P Spegin o Bailey b Taylor
K Greenfield o Francham b Cool-

D Stephenson & Ripley & Cool-14 North st Ripley & Cook 1 C S Pigott not out . . .

A N Jones did not pai FALL OF WICKETS: 1-35, 2-35, 3-52, 4-64, 5-150, 6-167, 7-197, 8-205

80/MUNG: Ambrose 22:2-5-62-1 Taylor 17-4-36-1 Capel 16-5-41-1, Curran 10-3-37-2 Cook 20-10-38-3 Bolley 7-3-21-0

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Immgs

Total (no wit dec. (2.1 gvars) . .

Everas (b 3. lb 13, w 5 no 5)

A Fordham not out .

M B Love not out

Total (8 wids dec. 92.2 gvers)

Moores not out

Second innings Second innings A M Brown c Trump 5 Caddick 2 D Bowler not call

S.C.Goldsmith not out Extrao (16:12, # 4:nb:13)

Total (4 wkts dec) .

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M Lathwell o Brown b Warner
R J Harden not out
C J Tavare o and b Stadden
K H MacLeay tow to Warner
G D Rose o Bowler b Cort
N D Burns not out

Extras fib 2, w 2 nb 9) .

Score after 100 overs 354-5

Total (5 wkts dec)

banjo. There were but three

fours in his innings.

won again.

This they did. The best score

Nicholas playing some firm strokes in front of the wicket but with wickets falling all too regularly for comfort - the game appeared to be going

Finally, however, some sort of deal was done at lunchtime. With the promise of a target approximating to 260 from 55 overs. Nottinghamshire employed joke bowlers after lunch and Marshall and Parks cashed in to the tune of 63 from nine overs.

The die was finally cast and what was virtually a limitedovers game was afoot

Prior to that, though, it had been a serious morning's cricket - all too serious, some thought, as Middleton made his way to his ninth score of more than 50 in 16 completed innings, having made 34 off Hampshire's 102 for two overnight. In all, he batted nearly four hours for his 71.

None the less, it was a case heroics rather than laggardliness for it transpired that, like Udal, who had been unable to complete his nightwatching duties by taking strike yesterday morning. Middleton was suffering from

a stomach bug. He was in considerable discomfort at the crease, just as Udal suffered when he took the field later and bowled without his usual snap, though he was sparingly used. RAPID CRICKETLINE SECONID XI CHAMPIONSHIP Chesterfield: Yorkshire 2045 (A A Mercalte 101), Detryshire 2285. Detryshire won by five winders. Survivanage: Hartfordshire 211-7 dec and 217-5 dec, RD M. Smith, 82, M.D. Saxtoy 67); Lincoinshire 130 and 205-6. Drawn

edge, neither Speak nor Lloyd

could make any sort of impres-

sion. Kent's bowling, shorn of

the injured Ellison, was order-

ly, nothing more. A total of 29

runs off the first 16 overs post-

When Lloyd was taken at

nicely judged catch on a

blustery day, and Irani drove

lgglesden to short extra cover

in the next over. Kent had a

chance. Lancashire needed

124 off the last 20 overs and

although Watkinson made a

token anempt at this, striking

Davis for two sixes, neither

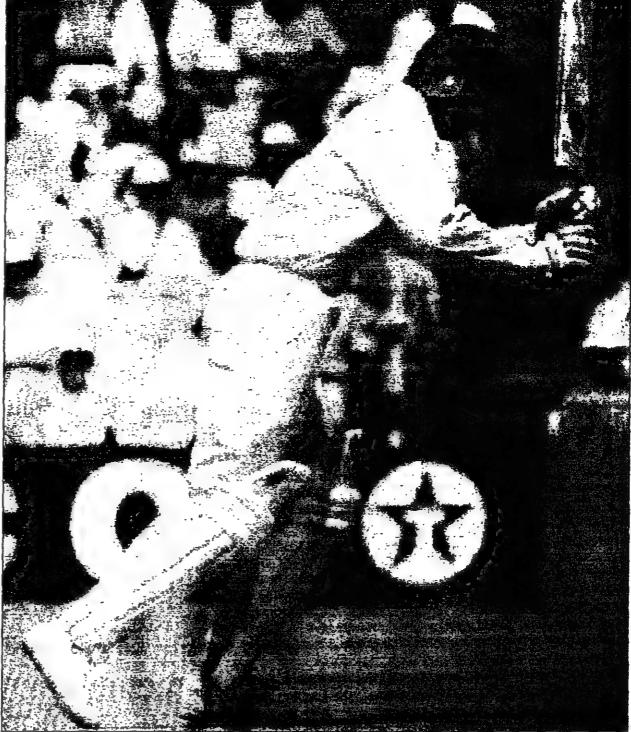
side had the necessary impetus

BAIN CLARICSON TROPHY: Hove: Sussee 143, Surrey 144-6 Surrey won by 4 workers MCC Young Cnd evers 245-5 in Prat 100 odd: han 174 U Longey 56, I Baldock 50, J. Harvey 5-14; MCC YC won by 71 uns. Worcester: Glamorgan 218-6 IC S Cowdrey 79 A J Dation 63; Viocestershire 167, Glamorgan won by 51 runs.

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI
CHAMPIONSHIP: Oakham: Leocetechne
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24-0 Trent Bridge: Northampionshire 2734 (A L Penterthy 130, A R Roberts 53 not Nichardhamstine 248-9 U R Viteman 101, W A Dessur 73, 14 (1 8 pure 4 37)
Northams won by 30 nms.

to win the match.

lunch tells its own story.



Genius at work Gower flicks the ball to the leg side during his record-breaking innings against Pakistan

Gower's strength is a weakness

SOME years ago, when Geof-frey Boycott and Bob Barber were filling their immigration forms, before landing in Ceyion I think it was, Boycott gave business as the purpose of his visit, while Barber put his tick in the box marked pleasure. They were to play a couple of one-day matches in Colombo on their way to Australia.

Yesterday, at Old Trafford. record as England's leading run-scorer in Test cricket, and the same story could just as well apply to these two as to Boycott and Barber, Two more different approaches to cricket it would be hard to imagine. Boycott was dedicated to the making of runs: Gower is just as determined to smell the roses. Had Bowntt been ordered to adopt Gower's philosophy or be dropped from the side, he would have

chosen to be dropped. In his 193 innings for England, I doubt whether Boycott ever lost his wicker through being too casual. Gower, in his 200 innings, has seemed to do so over and over. Both, at rimes, have

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driven their captains to distraction, Boycott by his excessive caution. Gower through his apparent indifference.

Boycott fitted the definition of genius as having an infinite capacity for taking trouble; Gower's more literal genius is the creation of Nature. Gowers extraorounary sense o timing is something he could only have been born with. It is a talent he was given, and with 18 Test hundreds to his

ENGLAND'S BEST

England's leading

7	l'ests	Inns	Run
D I Gower	115	200	815
G Boycott .	108	193	811
M C Cowdrey		188	762
G A Gooch	97	175	735
W R Hammond	1 85	140	724
L. Huttori	79	138	697
K F Barnnoton	82	131	680
D C S Compto	n 78	131	580
J B Hobbs .			541
1 Botham		161	520

credit. he can hardly be said to have wasted it. Of the eight Englishmen to

have made most runs in Test cricket, perhaps Boycott was the most acquisitive. Colin Cowdrey the most sensitive. Walter Hammond the most majestic, Len Hutton the most accomdished. Ken baitun ton the most rugged and Denis Compton, the most charismatic Graham Gooch would be the one to represent them against the West Indian fast bowlers, and Gower is the

most outwardly nonchalant. Maybe it is an indicament of both Gooch and Gower that this is Gower's first Test match for 16 months. Had he not reappeared at all, casual historians would have been forgiven for thinking in years to come that he must have retired at the end of England's tour of Australia in 1990-1. After all, he had made three hundreds in his previous seven Test innings, those at Melbourne and Syd-

ney being two of his very best.

Although it is known now, because he has said so, that Gooch has felt able to run a tighter ship without Gower, Gower's innings yesterday showed what England, and Gooch, have been missing without him. It was at once an exposé and an exposition. He has seldom batted better and never tried harder. He played some glorious strokes, as leiwere auninns defended with style, ran between wickets within instinctive judgment and showed much the most composure of England bassmen.

In the end, though, he was caught at the wicket, as predictable a dismissal as if he had been caught at first slip off Agib, which he should have been when he was 15. This was, in fact, the 185th time Gower had been out in Test cricket and the 49th time he had been caught at the wicket. He has been caught another 39 times at slip or gully, essaying strokes that have brought him as high a percentage of his runs as his reverses. Such is his strength and such his weakness.

Return of Jarvis is bonus for **Yorkshire**

By Richard Streeton

SHEFFIELD (final day of three; Leicestershire won toss): Yorkshire drew with Leicestershire

HOSTILE bowling by Paul Jarvis, who took four wickets as he made an unexpected return to the side yesterday. enabled Yorkshine to dominate this match. In his first championship game for a month after persistent ham-string trouble. Jarvis bowled with tremendous fire, though the final spoils

Yorkshire. Leicestershire, set to make 208 to win in 47 overs, had all hopes of victory ruined by Jarvis but managed to draw after Wells and Nixon, their seventh-wicket pair, held on through the final hour. After no play was possible on Friday and Saturday, the fixture under championship regulations became a single-innings match. No bonus points were at stake but 12 points were available to the winners.

Jarvis, who finished with four for 32 from 15 overs, has only played two first-class games this season and would not have been included if the game had been able to start on Friday. His return to form and fitness is a significant fillip for Yorkshire, who meet Northamptonshire in the NatWest trophy on Thursday.

Jarvis, who is aged 27, is one of the players hoping to hear tomorrow that the ICC has lifted the representative ban on those who went to South Africa with Mike Gatting's rebel side.

Bowling with good control arid getting consistent lift. Jarvis took full advantage of a lively pitch. He had Briers caught behind against a lifting ball in his third over and when he dismissed Benson, Smith and Potter in his second spell, had taken four for seven in his first nine overs.

Benson was bowled as he tried to pull and Smith and Potter were both leg-before against yorkers. Smith was hit on the right foot and hobbled off in considerable pain.

Leicestershire were 68 for six after this onslaught and with only the final 20 overs remaining, they were well Wells and Nixon, though, settled down to defend doggedly. Nixon survived a hard chance to second slip off Gough with eight overs left. Jarvis came back for a final spell but Yorkshire were un-

able to break through. Yorkshire's batsmen struggled earlier and by lunch were only 78 for two from 31 overs. Leicestershire then switched to their occasional bowlers. The plan went slightly awry when Kellett and Blakey both lifted catches to mid-off against Benson.

Next Tendulkar was run out at the bowler's end when a return hit was deflected on to the stumps, before White gathered the cheap runs and a declaration became possible.

Cartilage problems for Graveney

DURHAM will be without David Graveney, their cap-tain, for several weeks because of a suspected torn knee cartilage which is expected to require surgery. Graveney suffered the injury in the field against his former county. Gloucestershire, in the Sunday League match at Stockton at the weekend. Durham won by six wickers

Nasser Hussain, the Essex and England batsman, has cracked a finger. He was hit by a ball from Allan Donald in the Sunday League game at Edgbaston and is likely to be out for a week.

Jimmy Cook will play in a 55-over match for Transvaal against his former Somerset colleagues at Taunton on Monday.

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YESTERDAY'S BRITANNIC ASSURANCE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP SCOREBOARDS Somerset v Derbys TAUNTON (final day of three). Derbyst (18pts) beat Somerset (3) by sir violett

M.A. Felton, R.J. Bačey, "A.J. Lamb, D.J. Capel, K. M. Curran, 1D Ripley, C. E. L. Ambrose, J.P. Taylor and N.G.B. Cco* did. 90WLING Lenham 0 1-0-0-0 Umpres B Dudication and G I Burges

Kent v Lancashire MAIDSTONE (final day of three) Nant (10)) they with Langashire (4)

KENT: First livings 193 (G R Cowdray 77) D F Marrison 6 for 48) Second Immings TR Ward not out
M A Eatham c Lloyd to Fowler
M V Fleming not out

E-tras . Total (1 witt dec) FALL OF WICKET 1-109 BOWLING Fowler 5-0-60-1 Speak 2-0-30-0 Lloyd 2-0-23-0 LANCASHIRE: First innings 11 for no at: dec (9/2/WLING* ligglesden 3-1-4-0 | Elisan 2-1-9-6-0)

G Fowler o Benson b Flemming S P Tuchard o Plemming 5 Types N J Speak flow b Igglesden G D Joyd o Taylor o Daws R C transic Benson bilgglesder "M Waterston e and bildeoper (W Killegg not out ... P J Martin not out Extras (b 4 lb 2 w 1, nb 8

Total (6 wids) FALL OF WICKETS 1-112, 2-147, 3-150 4-166, 5-166, 6-205 BOWLING Ingeleden 21-5-62-3 Eatham 19-3-42-0 Davis 27-3-70-1, Hopper9-1-51-1, Flemmig 16-2-24-1 Banson 1-0-7-0 Umpres J H Hampshre and N T Piews

Warwicks v Essex EDGBASTON (final day of three). Warwick-shire (apr.) drew with Essex (3).

ESSEX: First manys P.J. Picchard of Piper to Donald
N.V. Kreght of Moles b Swalt
M.E. Wauch of Twose b Donald
J.J. B. Lewis no out
D.R. Pringle st Piper b N.M.F. Smith
N.A. Foster b Lloyd
Control of Twose body Edras (b 10, b - nb 3) Total (7 witts dec. 79 overs) M A Gamham, T D Topkey and J H Quids. Section Sec. PALL OF WICKETS 1-12, 2-25, 3-46, 4-127, 5-138, 6-192, 7-275, BOWLING: Densiti 21-2-40-3, Small 9-1-16-1: P.A. Small 9-1-16-1: P.A. Small 11-1-43-1, Math. Small 11-2-47-1; Rose 13-2-17-0, Lloyd 4-0-54-1).

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G C Small and A A Donald did not ha FALL OF VIICHETS 1-7, 2-06 3-51 4-73, 5-137 6-189 7-200 50/MUPS Foster 21-6-56-3 Princia 13-5-23-2, Toptey 8-1-38-0, Childs 15-2-40-1 Shahid 1-0-4-0 Waugh 9-2-3--1 Impres J D Bond and J H Harris

Durham v Gloucs STOCKTON throat day of street, Durham won tossi. Durham (no ptt) dress with Gloudestershire (b)

GLOUCESTERSHIFE G D Hodgson o Fothergill billhers C M J Ribe, c Jones billhers S G Hirks billhomb "A J Wright not out M W Alleyne b Brais R J Spott not cut Egras (b.4. 25 6, nb 3) Total (4 wids dec) R C Williams, tR C J Williams, M Davies A M Babingkon and A M Smith did not but FALL OF WICKETS 1-95, 2-96, 3-109, 4-

50MLIMS Wood S-0-21-0, Provin 7-0-14-C. Hughes 6-3-9-0, Botham 7-3-25-0, Sner. 23-2-109-3, Smith 10-2-35-1, Jones 6-3-1-

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20WLNG Smith 9-0-43-1; Ezzintzon 13 (+64-) A C Walans 3-1-4-0 Daves 1 73-4 Alexno 5-0-29-2 Amey 2-0-9-0 Hampshire v Notts

SOUTHAMPTON (final day of three): Not-linghamshire (fécial beat Hampuhre (3) by thre widens HAMPSHIRE FIRST BRACES V P Terv e Rangal b Carro ...
Y C Medieton e French b Alford
F D James st French b Alford
S D Stat notated but
Alf C Tricholas b Carros

M D Marshall not out J R Ayling b Crawley tR J Parks not out Beras (to 2. nb 6) ...

Total (6 witts dec, 82 overs) ... C A Connor and K J Shane did not but FALL OF WICKETS, 1-89, 2-100, 3-177, 4-185, 5-191, 6-197 ECWILING Cams 23-1-65-3: Pcl. 16-1-60-0. 19-3-35-0, Adord 13-5-34-3. Crantay 2-0-2-1, Johnson 5-0-30-0, Potard 4-0-33-0

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D W Randall b Cornor
M A Crawfor and one Eleras (to 6, no 8)

Total (5 elds) . të N French, K P Evans, R A Pick and J A Alterd did not bat. FALL OF WICKETS 1-21, 2-65, 3-63, 4-236, 50/MJNG Connor 12/0-56-1; Marshall 13-1-55-2, Udal 7-0-42-0, Shine 8/4-1-41-0, James 7-1-24-1, Ayling 7-0-36-1 Umpres R Julian and V A Holder

Glamorgan v Surrey NEATH (Small day of three) Surrey (22prs Sear Glamorgan (5) by 50 runs Soar Glamorgan (5) by 50 runs SURREY: First Innings 316 for 6 dec (D M Pard 138, G P Thorpe 93) Second Irrings

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P O Allins run qui J Soling c Cottey b Watton G P Thompo nor out M A Lindoh c Cottey b Croft D M Ward c James b Croft J O Retwision hol out E-Grac (6) 3 ₩ 3. nb 2) . . . Total (5 elns dec) 50M/LING Watten 16-3-49-2, Frost 7-0-48-0 Bastien 16-2-63-0, Croft 10-0-69-2 GLAMORGAN: First framqs 250 for 6 day (S.F. James 105, H. Morris 58)

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Yorks v Leics SHEFFELD (final day of three, Leicester-

YORKSHIFE Total (5 wkis dec)

FALL OF WICKETS 1-14, 2-78, 3-80, 4-68, 5-153 BOWLING Bengamin 6-9-13-0, Milins 6-1-23-1 Wells 8-3-7-1, Potter 8-3-19-0, Par-sons 5-1-10-0 Benson 8-1-24-2, Boon 10-1-70-0, Whitaker 2-3-0-30-0 LDCSSTERSIME

P Carrick, D Gough, P W Jamic and M A Robinson did not bat

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F4LLOF WICKETS 1-7, 2-35, 3-56, 4-57, 5-57, 8-88. BOM/LING Jarvs 15-8-32-4; Harriey 9-0-29-0; Gough 12-2-41-2, Cerrick 9-2-11-0, Rubinson 2-0-5-0, Tendulier 1-0-8-0. Umpres. H D Bird and 8 Leadbeats

lan Beven (Grange) has been brought into Scotland's party for the two pre-day rearches against the Palistan's on July 11 and 12 at Timood, Glasgow He is the only rowcomer in the 13 and recent new caps Donald On (Cydesdald), Keven Thomson (Brechn) and tan Stanger (Cydesdale) rețant their places

Jim Govan, of Carton, is unavailable for selection as he to accompanying the Merchiston Casale achool team on as four to Barbatos: PARTY: A Russell (Chydasdale), A Bee i/Aberdsenshire). I Beven (Grange), P Duthic (Greenood), J Evrett (Grange), O Homy (West Lotham, D On (Chydasdale), B Patiesson (Ayri, J Philip (Sterhousemunt, G Reder (Ayrishire), G Salmond (Arboath), i Stanger (Chydadale), K Thumson (Brechin),

Glamorgan beaten by impressive Bicknell

BY GEOFFREY WHEELER

SURREY, whose first championship success of the season did not arrive until June 29, won their third match in succession yesterday by beat-ing Glamorgan by 50 runs at Neath. Glamorgan, set 299. passed 200 with only four wickets down, but their later batsmen were easy meat for Martin Bicknell, who took five for 43. four in his last 11 deliveries, as Surrey won with nine balls to spare.

Essex's attempts to stretch their lead at the head of the table were thwarted by Dermot Reeve at Edgbaston. He held out for two-and-a-half hours for an unbeaten 54 after Neil Foster had dashed Warwickshire's hopes of getting anywhere near a target of 276. One declaration that went

badly wrong was Chris Tavaré's at Taunton, where Derbyshire's acting captain, John Morris, scored his fourth consecutive hundred on the ground as his side raced to a

six-wicket win against Somerset. Peter Bowler, normally a grafter, also made a sparkling century to help Derbyshire win with 32.1 overs to spare after being set 300 to win in a minimum of 85 overs. Bowler (147 not out) and Morris (109) put on 259 in 44 overs for the second wicker With the exception of

Wayne Larkins, who made an attacking 74, none of Durham's big guns fired quite long enough at Stockton to get the 260 needed to beat Gloucestershire in a single innings game. Gloucester-shire's reserve wicketkeeper. Reggie Williams, was involved in five of the seven dismissals and stumped three off the bowling of the slow left-armer, Mark Davies.

Northamptonshire and Sussex decided against trying to reach an artificial result at Northampton, taking three bonus points apiece as Sussex batted out the day.

OUR CRICKET PITCHES SEEM TO HAVE MORE GREEN STRIPES THAN EVER.



The white shoe with the given stripe.

Handful of players benefit from England B tour

FROM DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT, IN AUCKLAND

ONE of the main planks in Graham Smith's managerial report on the England B tour of New Zealand will be that there should be no more B tours. Smith believes strongly that the B title is a misnomer.

"I can't see any objection to calling this an England XV," he said. "Being called Eng-land B hasn't helped the tour profile." In New Zealand a team labelled B is regarded as second-class, which helps to explain the poor gates at England's tour matches

Upgrading the name may help sustain Smith's second plank, that players on develop-ment tours deserve the privileges attached to senior national tours, in terms of allowances, travel and accom-modation. "A lot of these chaps have made sacrifices that they should not be expected to make," Smith said.

Despite the loss of both internationals", the tour has, in the opinion of Mike Slemen, brought several players appreciably nearer a full England cap. Slemen, the assistant coach to Jack Rowell in New Zealand, will be stepping up to help Dick Best with the A side next season.

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There are maybe half a dozen players capable of fit-ting into a good, settled senior team," Slemen said, although he emphasised that if retire-

FOR once, the man wearing

Santa Monica Track Club kit

who will most interest Limford

Christie will not be Carl Lewis.

The Olympic 100 metres

champion is to compete in

Seoul, will be there as well. But

Lewis is coming to jump, not to run. Unfortunately for him, and for the Olympic Games, it

will be the same in Barcelona.

Lewis is to appear in a long jump in Britain for the first

time by competing in the

Vauxhail invitation meeting at

Joining him, and putting Christie through his pre-

Gateshead a week on Friday.

ments produced the need for swingeing change, the success of England's last two seasons would inevitably be affected.

The management agree that the itinerary was less than ideal but even the least of their opponents played with a dynamic frequently missing in domestic rugby. The forwards arrive quickly, the ball is recycled quickly and they build the momentum of the game where we have been static," Slemen said.

We have tried to build a more dynamic style but in New Zealand it is inbred. There are aspects of their game where we can show them a thing or two, particularly in back play, and there is a problem with the tackle ball which, under the new laws, the rugby world will have to

get to grips with.
"Neil Back's expertise as a flanker has been hampered by interpretations over here. He arrives so quickly but has to wrestle with the player on the floor for the ball because the tackled mum is affewed to wait for his own support to arrive and Neil is wiped out by the wave of forwards coming over the tackled man. If the ball is released, as the law requires, then it would be gone, their interpretation stops Neil playing and, to a certain extent, stops the whole side playing."

ATHLETICS

Christie keen to test Burrell

By DAVID POWELL, ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

Olympic places, will be Mike

Marsh, Mark Witherspoon

and Leroy Burrell. These three

will be the Santa Mortica

sprinters Christie will concern

relay team. Winner of six Olympic gold medals, he is, at the age of 31, out of conten-

tion for a third successive 100

metres title after he failed to

qualify for the United States

team. He also failed to earn a

will run the Olympic 100

metres, Marsh the 200 me-

tres. Christie is doubling, just

Witherspoon and Burrell

200 metres spot.

himself with in Barcelona.

Back's play attracted admiration wherever he appeared and Martin Bayfield has been applauded both for his lineout work and his energy about the field. Stuart Barnes did not find his best form, but his contribution as captain and organiser was first-rate, as was that of the other "senior pro",

Graham Dawe. Smith, too, had harsh words for what New Zealanders choose to describe as rucking, which led to the only serious injury of the tour, to Victor Ubogu, who was kicked on the head, deliberately in the opinion of the England players. The New Zealand union has assured us that they are as keen to get rid of stamping as we are, "Smith said. "I think they have got it wrong and do rugby a great disservice by not

The England party returns The English voday.

Tour results: Beet North Otago, 68-4; bi Southland, 51-18; bt New Zeeland Universities, 92-15; bt Weiserapes-Bush, 40-6; bt Wangerui, 55-8; lost to New Zeeland XV, 18-24; best North Auckland, 31-27; lost to New Zeeland XV, 28-28; best North Auckland, 31-27; lost to New Zeeland XV, 28-28; beauties, 272; against: 127.

as he said, at the weekend, he

planned to in Gateshead.

Burrell's form will be of partic-

He has been short of his best

this year and Gateshead will

show how much of a challenge he might be to Christie's 100

metres gold-medal aspira-

tions. Runner-up to Lewis at

the world championships,

Burrell was third in the US

trial. He needs to show form.

against Michael Johnson, the

world No. 1, over 400 metres,

in the TSB grand prix at

Crystal Palace on Friday, then

faces Danny Everett, the US

trial winner and Olympic

favourite, in Gateshead.

Roger Black, who runs

ular interest to Christie.



South Africa complete return

Winning days are back for Crenshaw, with his wife and latest trophy

SOUTH Africa will return to international football after 28 years in the wilderness this week. Barred from competing against other nations since 1964 because of apartheid, South Africa was readmitted to the sport's world governing body. Fifa, in Zurich last Friday and the country's football authorities have organised a three-match series against Cameroon to complete the national team's rehabilitation.

The first match against the surprise stars of the 1990 World Cup is to be played in Durban today with the second taking place on Thursday in Cape Town. The 80,000-seat FNB stadium near the black township of Soweto, one of the

most modern stadiums in Africa, will stage the finale on Saturday. Cameroon, the surprise

quarter-finalists at the World Cup finals in Italy in 1990, have slipped since, finishing only fourth in the 1992 African Nations' Cup finals in Senegal earlier this year. Neventheless, the experienced team should prove formidable opponents for the first South African national team chosen from all the country's football

Only one member of the 21strong squad, the Swiss-based midfielder, Augustine Makalakalane, plays abroad, and the side's coach. Stanley Tshabalala, has no international experience. Tshabalala. post in May when the British coach, Jeff Butler, resigned after admitting that he gave false information when applying for the post.
One of Tshabalala's main

aged 49, was promoted to the

problems is a familiar one to English onlookers. There are 22 teama in the South African league, with club committed to 42 league fixtures and three cum competitions, and it is feared that the South Africans will be both too stale and too tired to offer a real threat to Cameroon.

In a number of warm-up matches, the national squad drew 1-1 with a South African league selection and beat two provincial teams, Natal (4-1) and Western Province (2-1).

GOLF

Crenshaw two-year drought ends at Norman's expense

Crenshaw ended a two-year sequence without a victory when he took the Western Open by one stroke from Greg Norman here yesterday. Crenshaw, who closed with a 69 for a total of 276, 12 under par, passed Norman with the aid of a two-shot swing over the last two holes.

Crenshaw came to the final hole needing a par to stay in front of Norman. He had to make a second putt from five feet to get it, and was rewarded with a hug from his four-yearold daughter. Katherine, who ran on to the green after the ball found the hole.

Norman, playing behind him, then needed a birdie on the 18th to force a tie. He hit a good approach shot, then watched aghast as his 20ft uphill birdie putt stopped inches short. Norman, who frittered

away a five-shot lead in playing the last nine holes in 41 in the same event a year ago, had to recover this time from a disastrous start in which he dropped a shot at each of the first three holes.

Recover he did and, at one point, held the lead alone. But Crenshaw's 15ft putt for a birdie on the 17th while Norman was three-putting the ioth for a bogey, saw them change places at the top of the

course," Norman, who fin-ished with a 72, said. "I wanted to win. But I'm encouraged, too. I'm doing all the right things. I'm almost all the way back." Chip Beck held a share of

the lead at 12 under par until he hit his approach into a hazard on the 17th hole and took a double bogey to finish in a tie for third place with

An initiative to provide the amateur golfer with the chance to play at weekends has been launched by British Airways Holidays.

They plan to strengthen their position in the growing golf market in the belief that amateurs can find better value abroad than at home.

Brian Eustage, senior product manager for British Airways Holidays, said: "There is a tremendous demand from amateur golfers to play at weekends and I believe we can offer a solution. "Golfers like to be independent, to travel confirmed tee-off times. These Thursday-to-Sunday packages

Ballesteros backs El Saler course

BY MITCHELL PLATIS, GOLF CORRESPONDENT

SEVERIANO Ballesteros be-lieves that El Saler, on the outskirts of Valencia, could be a candidate to stage the 1997 Ryder Cup match, which is expected to be played in Spain.

Bailesteros gave Chub de Campo, in Madrid, his support when he campaigned for the 1993 match between Europe and the United States to be held in his native country. He is also hopeful of building a new course in Madrid but the planning department is dragging its feet.

"What I like about El Saler is that it is a very good course and it is close to a big city, where there would be no problems with hotels," Ballesteros said, "It would be one worth considering with the other choices." It would now appear that

Caldas, a new course on the outskirts of Barcelona, will not be ready so that the favourites remain Valderrama, home of the Volvo Masters, and two Madrid courses, the RAC Chub, where the Spanish Open was held this year, and La Moraleja II.

The World Cup of Golf will

be the first event to be held on the new course at La Moraleja, when it is held on November 5 to 8. It will provide the Ryder Cup committee with a good opportunity to examine the course and, if reports are good, then it would become a strong candidate because of its proximity to the Spanish capital.

Manuel Pinero, the former Ryder Cup player, said: "My first choice would be Madrid, then the south of Spain and then Barcelona."

CYCLING

Gateshead next week, it was . The long jump will be announced yesterday, and Lewis's only Olympic event, Christie, runner up to Lewis in unless he is brought into the

Virenque takes lead in front of Indurain

Pau, France: Richard Virenque, of France, became the third rider in three days to wear the yellow jersey in this year's Tour de France after a 230km breakaway in the Pyrenees yesterday.

Virenque was second on the stage to Javier Murgualday, of Spain, with whom he broke away from the pack after just 20km, in the 255km mountain ride across the Spanish border from San Sebastian to Pau, but he beat the overnight leader, Alex Zuelle, of Switzerland, by over five minutes to take the overall lead.

Murgualday and Virenque finished 5min 5sec ahead of an impressive quartet com-prising the world champion. Gianni Bugno, of Italy, his compatriot, Claudio Chiappuci, Miguel Indurain, of Spain, and Charly Motter, of France — the first four in last year's overall standings. A

second chasing group, includ-ing all the other race favourities, crossed the line a further 15sec behind. "I knew it was a long stage today, so I decided to give it a try. It is a pity that I did not win the stage, but to take the yellow jersey is just unbelievable," Virenque said. "I'm the

happiest man in the world."

Murgualday, Virenque and another Frenchman, Danie Rezze, who was later dropped. tried their luck after an early intermediate sprint. The bunch held their breath for the main climb of the day, the Marie-Blanque pass 35km from the finish, allowing the three underdogs to take a lead that stretched to 22min 30sec at one stage.

As Murgualday and

Virenque were fighting for stage victory, the real race between the favourites started, as planned, on the Marie-Blanque, when Chiappucci attacked. Only Bugno, Indurain, who won the event last year, and Mottet managed to keep up with the pace. As the bunch solit behind the four, who reached the top eight minutes behind Virenque and Murgualday. all the other favourites were dropped one by one. Greg LeMond, of the United States, struggled to reach the summit two minutes behind

had to work hard together on the descent towards Pau to make up for lost time, crossing year. Indurain, ominously, is lying second overall, 4min 34sec vehind Virenque, with

SECOND STAGE (San Sebastian to Pau, 255km): 1, J Murguiaiday (SD, Amaya), 6th 41min 5686c; 2, R Virenque (Fr. RMO), Sec behind: S. G Bugno (t. Gatorada), 5min 5sec; 4, C Chappuo (t. Garrera); 5, C Mottest (Fr. RMO); 8, M Indursin (SD, Banesto); 7, D Rezze (Fr. RMO), all same time; 8, M Fondiest (t. Panesonic), 5;21; 9, S Bauer (Can, Motorale); 10, J Skibby (Den), both same time.

Others: 11, S Kally (Im. Festine).

Others: 11, S Kelly (Ire, Festina), 523; 13, S Roche (Ire, Canera); 35, G LeWond (US, Z); 42, R Miller (GB,

Chiappucci. Although the rest of the field

the finish line with a meagre 15 sec deficit behind the four, the only Pyrenean climb of this year's Tour emphasised that Indurain, who won the prologue on Saturday, Bugno, who missed this year's Giro d'Italia to focus on the Tour, Chiappuci and Mottet would again be the men to beat this Bugno third, 2sec behind the Spaniard.

TVN), all same time; 73, M Earley (ire, PDM), 12:34; 115, S Yates (GB, Motorola), 17:53. Motorola), 17:53.

OVERALL: 1, Virenque, 11hr 29min 28sec; 2, Includin, 4min 34sec behind; 3, Sugno, 4:30; 4, D Amoutd (Fr. Castorame), 4:50; 5, R Alcala (Max. PDM), 5:04; 6, Chiappuoci, seme time; 7, Motest, 5:05; 8, E Breukink (Holl, PDM), 5:08; 9, P Line (Fr. RMO); 10, LeMond, same time. Others: 12, Roche, 5:12; 31, Kelly, 5:31; 34, Miller, 5:32; 72, Earley, 13:06; 146, Yetes, 25:34. A STATE OF THE STA

OCA-COLA LEAGUE: First divisions Leicester Partitiers 20, Notingham Hoods 27; Stmingham Bulls 52, Thames Valley Chargers 6; Essaw Gladebors 2, Brighton 952s, 32; Northants Storm 6, London Olympiens 93. Second division play-offs: Glasgow Lone 42, London Olympiens 86; Kent Mustange 10, Coveniry Jaquera 8.

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LEMONT, Ranois: Western Open: Final scores (US unless stated): 278: B Crentshaw, 70, 72, 65, 69, 277; G Norman (Aus.), 88, 69, 68, 72, 278; C Beck, 70, 71, 70, 67; F Couples, 70, 69, 69, 70; B McCalistae, 64, 73, 71, 70; C Malchof, 66, 68, 70, 72, 276; I Purtose, 73, 69, 68, 69, J Suman, 72, 72, 63; S. 1 Balsar-Pinch (Aus.), 55, 72, 74, 69; N Price (Zim), 69, 69, 72, 70; B Class, 61, 71, 71, 70; B Fleisher, 71, 71, 88, 70, 71, Walsson, 70, 69, 70, 71; I Limman, 61, 72, 70, 71.
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HOCKEY INTERNATIONAL, MATCHES: Women: Germany 7, Scotland 0, and 3-1 Men; South Kones II, Many & 5. MOTO-CROSS HAWKSTONE PARK: British 500cc championship: First race: 1, B Liles (US), Honda; 2, G Jobe (Bel), Honda; 3, J Whatley (SS), Honda, Second race: 1, Liles; 2, J Bochen (Bel), Kawasaki; 3, Jobe. Third race: 1, Liles, 2, J Smess (Bel), Honda; 3, Jobe. Oversal: 1, Liles, 80ps, 2, Jobe, 47, 3, Whatley 38, World championship positions (after sware manda: 1

ship positions (after seven rounds); 1. Jobe, 318; 2. K Nicoli (GB), KTM, 300; 3, Lites, 273. MOTORCYCLING SPA FRANCORCHAMPS, Belgium: Liège 24-hour race: 1, C Fogerty (GB), T Rymer

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POWERBOATING JESOLO, italy: World off-shore champion-ship: Fifth round: 1, R Cenr (Cougal-Lemborghm, GB); 2, L Poh (Painbow Bears, Italy, Cougal-Lemborghm): 3, R Luglio (Johnny Lambs, it. CLN-Lemborghm) World champion-ship posi-lone (Jaha; Jaio Hundis): 1, S Curis (GB), 70ps; 2, W Regiuzzi (II), 54; 3, D Achile (II), 46pts.

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RIFLE SHOOTING

Ball finds target to retain service title

BY OUR RIFLE SHOOTING CORRESPONDENT

THE Royal Navy target rifle champion, CPO Nigel Ball, who is also a Great Britain international shot, retained his navy title as the services all shot their target rifle events together ahead of the Queen's Medal contests. Ball had the best of the service totals with 242 out of a possible 250 for ten shots at each of the long and short ranges. Fit Li Frank Carlin of the

Royal Air Force won his title with 239 and the new Army target rifle champion, Lt Fred Sykes, of the Royal Green Jackets, took his award with 237 before winning the Bisley Cup, the short-range match entered by past and present army marksmen. In the long-range match, Lt-

Col Larry Orpen-Smellie, late of the Parachute Regiment and another British interna-tional, won the Wood Cup. For the Royal Marines, WO Tom Sands, of the Comman-

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EQUESTRIANISM

Skelton underlines his Olympic aspirations

on the Olympic show jumping team is expected to be confirmed today, underlined his form by winning the Renault Trophy on the nine-year-old Everest Florida at the Royal Show at Stoneleigh in Warwickshire yesterday (Jenny MacArthur writes).

Skelton relegated his fellow Olympic contender, John Whitaker, on Henderson Hopscoich, to second place by

Skelton and his Olympic hope, Everest Dollar Girl, the

NICK Skelton, whose place former Swiss team horse, were runners up in the Aachen Grand Prix in Germany.

That performance, which followed their double clear round in the Nations' Cup at Aachen on Friday, has almost certainly secured an Olympic team place for 34-year-old Skelton.

"I've done all I can do now." the Warwickshire-based rider said yesterday. "We'll just have to wait and see what the selectors think."

RESULT: The Renault Trophy: 1, Everest Florida (N. Steston), 0 in 35,34sec. 2, Henderson Hopscorth (J. Whitaker), 0 in 36,21, 3, Faldo (P. Marphy), 0 in 36,31

WEDEF

Changes in the wind

Martin Dermott and Paul Newlove have been named in the Great Britain rugby league side to play Auckland tomorrow, suggesting that they will be dropped from the international team which meets New Zealand on Sunday.

Malcolm Reilly, the coach, virtually confirmed that Dermott would be dropped by saying: "I think Lee Jackson has earned an opportunity of international football. He has played very consistently throughout the tour."
Dean Sampson, the latest

replacement in the Great Britain party, makes his tour debut at prop in the continued absence of Lee Crooks, though Reilly has confirmed that Crooks is only a couple of days away from full fitness.

Bouncing back

Baskethall: Magic Johnson, who retired from professional basketball just after the start of last season after testing positive for the HIV virus, has said that people should not bet against him playing in the NBA next season.

Jones on call

Athletics: Steve Jones, the former holder of the world's best time for the marathon, has agreed to act as Britain's reserve for the event at the Olympic Games. Sam Carey, of Warrington, yesterday an-nounced his withdrawal from the reserve spot after picking up an injury.

Prize winner

Competition: Mr James Bean, of Honeybourne, Evesham, Worcestershire, is the winner of The Times/Motorola Tour de France competition. Mr Bean and a friend will spend a day with the Motorola team

on the Tour. The answers were: 1, Miguel Indurain; 2. Three; 3, Sean Yates; 4, San Sebastian; 5,

Incident near end of play compounds bad day in field for Pakistan cricketers

England throw off the shackles

BY ALAN LEE, CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

OLD TRAFFORD (fourth day of five): England are 115 runs behind Pakistan

ENGLAND will consider yes-terday to be a day when they broke out of jail. Pakistan should consider it a day when they obligingly left the cell keys under the doormat and turned

a blind eye.

The third Cornhill Test match is heading for a draw and, if this reflects some heroic England batting under heavy fire, it also owes plenty to hapless Pakistani out-cricket. degenerating by the close into

ugly indiscipline.

When Pakistan review their performance here they must conclude that they failed to win because they spilled catches, fielded arthritically and bowled an unforgiveable volume of no-balls, 32 from Wasim Akram to go with his

That they also averaged little more than 12 overs an hour compounded the felonies of a day they ended in disar-ray, with Aqib Javed reacting childishly to the strictures of the umpire, Roy Palmer, and Javed Miandad supporting his player in the frenzied style of his pre-diplomatic days.

There was no excuse for the three successive short-pitched balls Aqib bowled to a genuine No. 11 in Malcolm, still less for his hot-headed response to Palmer's interjection. Aqib's complaints were that the first short ball was not a bouncer and that Palmer was impolite in throwing him his sweater: this could scarcely forgive him.

Miandad's part was unhelpful. if not openly provocative, though at least he intercepted a Pakistani supporter intent on doing Palmer some harm. The umpire needed a police escort to leave the field, a sad end to a day of tension.

It was set up to be David Gower's day and, in a sense, so it was. In a morning session of memorably compelling cricket, the game's prodigal favourite fulfilled everyone's hopes, not simply by scoring 34 runs to displace Geoffrey Boycott as the most prolific English Test batsman, but by

the evocative way he did so. Gower and Graham Gooch, however, were both out in the seventies, the main aims of the day elusively distant. In mid-afternoon England had slipped to 256 for seven, still requiring 50 to avoid the follow-on.

Pakistan were now predatory but there followed an eighth-wicket stand of 59, and another of 64 for the ninth. This invested the status of saviours on Chris Lewis and Ian Salisbury and served to lecture the Pakistanis that flair will not always win games

when fundamentals fall down. It was the most chastening day of the series so far for Miandad's team. The sun shone, the antithesis of the bowling conditions they craved and which, on Saturday, they had so relished. Catches went down at crucial times, batsmen played harmless air shots and, to infuriate the Pakistanis still further. questions were asked by the umpires about the scuffed condition of the match ball.

The same two umpires had posed similar questions at Taunton, early in the tour. Now, the interest clearly peeved Miandad, who remonstrated with Shepherd and hurled the ball on to the ground as if to demonstrate how it can naturally lose its sheen on such hard ground. The match referee, Conrad Hunte, was informed of the inspection but no action was deemed necessary.

The early wicket Pakistan needed was supplied by Aqib Javed, darting a ball back at Robin Smith to win a legbefore decision. Agib, an erstwhile Hampshire team-mate, greeted Gower with a bouncer. Gower thick-edged his second ball wide of third slip for four and then, his feet responding, moved gracefully into line to cover drive his third for four more. The show, a much-loved repeat, was

He should have gone in Agib's next over. Already on 15, Gower lapsed into the flatfooted, flatbatted off-side shot which has so often seen him perish. He edged it. twitched towards the pavilion. then settled back with relief as Salim Malik, at first slip. dropped a chance as simple as the one with which he had spared Gooch on Saturday. Malik was banished from the slip cordon, while Gower ban-

ished the memory. He had faced only 30 balls when he square drove Agib for four to eclipse Boycott and become the fifth highest Test runmaker in the world. Gooch was almost passive, though not so passive as to overlook the need to keep his partner going with regular gestures. It was a classic partnership

between men who have publicly, if not privately, been in conflict. They had already put on 76, at more than six an over, when inzamam dislocated a finger trying to pluck the ball off the floor at slip when



Test of survival: Hick is at pains to avoid a short ball in the third Test match at Old Trafford yesterday

Gower edged Waqar. By Pakistani standards, the appeals were unconvincing and the umpires gave Gower the bene-

fit of considerable doubt. Gooch had been batting three-and-a-half hours when he gloved a leg-side catch off Waqar, who soon disturbed Hick with a bouncer and followed it with something close to unplayable, jagging back from outside off stump to

pass over the top of leg. Gower went to his third ball after lunch. Hick and Russell following in a single, menacing over from Aqib. But Lewis, despite frequently being beaten by Akram, kept his head. dispatched the loose balls and. in the last over of the session. whipped Agib away for four to complete his 50 and effectively save the game.

John Woodcock, page 34 record proudly, but the entire

Miandad 88, Mujtaba 57, Ramiz Raja 54).

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ENGLAND: First Innings

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Gower's pride in record

By Peter Ball

DAVID Gower's contribution to cricket has never been measured primarily in figures, but statistics were to the fore yesterday as he finally overtook Geoffrey Boycott as England's leading scorer in

"The' record was being talked about two years ago in Australia, and then it all went wrong in the last two Tests out there," a relaxed, smiling Gower, said before celebrating with a glass of champagne. "It has been a long wait to get out there again, and I'm proud to have overtaken someone of Geoffrey's stature.

"I shall look back on the

point of playing is to win the Test, and our first target was to avoid the follow-on, not for me to just break the record." If Gower had needed any

reminding, he had his captain, frequent partner and sometime critic, Graham Gooch, for company as he passed the milestone. "He said well done"." Gower said. "Quite succinct — but his main concern was that I'd be looking at a bigger total." The sentiments were impec-

cable, and even the former record holder could not restrain an approving nod. The cover drive for four which took Gower past Boycott's total of 8.114 runs was,

Extras (b 8, b 8, w 2, nb 35) 53

as even the Yorkshireman admitted, "a trademark Gower shot," but the previous 29 halls were the enitome of Gower's cricket, beauty and fallibility intermingled.

He claimed two fours from edges almost immediately, the first from his second ball and escaped a typical waft outside off stump on 15, Salim Malik putting down the straightforward chance at first slip.

"I used up all my luck in the morning," Gower said. "I had had a feeling before the game that things were going to go well, and when that went down that seemed like confirmation that it was going to be my day.

OLD TRAFFORD SCOREBOARD

every European champion-

Champions say Agassi win is good for tennis

By ALIX RAMSAY

TWO former Wimbledon champions, John McEnroe and Michael Stich, yesterday put Andre Agassi's victory in this year's championship into perspective. Both men were convinced that beating Goran finally elevate Agassi from the Las Vegan showman to the

true champion.

"Andre has been through a lot of hype and hoopla before, but this is going to legitimise him." McEnroe said. "People will realise what a great tennis player he is. The way he did it was phenomenal — to stay back and hit just so - to play that way is unbelievable. It's

really good for tennis."

At a time when the men's game has come under dose scrutiny, with many believing the big servers are ruining the sport, Agassi's win has pleased Stich. "It shows all the guys who are criticising the tennis that there is something different in the game." he said. "It's not just a guy like Goran serving 200 aces. The guys playing tennis like Andre can

After losing three grand slam finals there were doubts over Agassi's ability to win big matches, but according to McEnroe his victory proved that Agassi has the ability to be a truly great champion. McEnroe believes that the change is Agassi came through seeing Jim Courier take the No. I ranking and overtake him both physically and mentally. "The classic thing for a great player is to learn from your mistakes," he said. "Now you're seeing the real Andre. He is the greatest returner of serve at this point and he reacts so quickly. All these things came together where suddenly his game was

really suited to grass. But McEnroe was quick to point out that next year would be a different matter. Coming to Wimbledon as defending champion would put the pressure on him as never before. "He has always been popular but people will have a different attitude to him," he said. "But anyone who knows tennis has to admire the way he plays."

Agassi also won a less prestigious title. In a reasonably quiet and well behaved championship. Agassi earned the highest fine of the two weeks. \$1,500, for an audible obscenity during his firstround match.

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British team has formidable look

BY JERRY MACARTHUR

IAN Stark, the European champion, heads one of the strongest three-day event teams Britain has sent to an Olympic Games. The formidable quarter, announced yesterday, is made up of Stark with either Glenburnie or Murphy himself, Viginia Leng, the former world and European champion with Master Craftsman, Mary Thomson, the winner of Badminton, with King William, and Richard Walker, the European individual silver medal winner with Jacana.

Such is the strength of British eventing that Karen Dixon and Get Smart, winners of the individual bronze medal at the European championships in Punchestown admittedly after a refusal on the cross-country — are only as

Owen Moore, who competed in his first Badminton this year, is named as the nontravelling reserve with his brilliant mare, Locomotion. Stark is the only rider who has two horses. Mrs Leng, aged 37, has decided that her

second horse, Welton Houdini. is too young and inexperienced for an Olympics. Although Britain has won

ship since 1985 — and the world championship in 1986 - the team has not won an Olympic gold medal since 1972, the year Richard Mead

won the individual gold. Stark and Leng were both members of the silver medalwinning teams at the 1984 and 1988 Olympics. Leng won the individual bronze on both occasions and Stark won the individual silver in Secul. Walker, at 41 the eldest of

the four, has no Olympic experience. His selection. which comes after his nearperiect performance on Jacana at Punchestown, fulfils an ambition he has nursed since he won Badminton on Pasha in 1969.

Any of the four team members could win the individual gold. The main rivals for the team gold will be New Zealand, the reigning world champions.

Lord Patrick Beresford, the British chef d' èquippe, is unequivocal about his aim. "We are not interested in the silver medal. We are going to Barcelona to win the gold." he

Said.
BRITISH TEAM: V Long (Master Craftsmas). I Stark (Genburne and Murphy Himsel), M Thomeon (King William). A Walker (Jacana). Travelling asserve: K Dixon (Get Smart). Non-travelling reserve: O Moore (Locanaion).

Forwards into battle

England nugby union forwards in the aftermath of the defeat by Argentina in the Student World Cup reached boiling point yesterday when they decided to foresake the normal day off and opt for a heavy scrummaging session (Chris Thau writes). The front row of Chris Clark, Tim Beddow and John Mallett felt particularly incensed.

Every time we had a

Naples: The frustration of the wards, no matter what we tried to do, " Mallett, the tighthead prop, said. "I hated it. We can't afford to stay idle. The entire campaign hinges on the game against South Africa. It has now become a knockout game; it's now or

> Wales, comprehensively beaten by Romania, are in a similar predicament, although victory against New Zealand, the world champions, seems improbable.

Brundle proves Walkinshaw's belief is justified

BOWLING: Wasım 36.4-128-5 (nb 32, w 2) (10-1-33-2, 5-0-29-0, 5-1-19-1, 5-0-29-0, 8-2-14-1, 2-0-4-1); Waqar 32-6-96-1 (11-3-30-0, 2-0-14-0, 9-0-27-1, 7-2-20-0, 3-1-5-0); Aqb 21.4-1-100-4 (nb 11); 11-0-8-0, 6-0-47-1, 8-0-24-2, 6.4-1-21-1); Mujhaba 1-1-0-0 (one spell). Mushtaq 10-1-50-0 (5-1-19-0, 2-0-20-0, 3-0-11-0)

INTERMEDIATE SCORES. Third day: Bad light stopped play at 3.26pm - tee taken at 9-0 (Gooch 4, Stewart 4), 1.5 overs BLSP 5.47-6.04pm 45-2 (Gooch 23, Smith 0), 18.1 overs 50.84 mins, 17.4 overs. BLSP 6.32pm 72-2 (Gooch 39, Smith 5), 21.1 overs Play abandoned at 6.50pm Fourth day: 100 129 mins, 25.2 overs. 150. 166 mins, 32.5 overs. Lunch 195-4 (Gower 69, Hick 2), 46 overs. 200: 231 mins, 46.3 overs. 250. 285 mins, 58 overs. 300. 345 mins, 70 overs. Teef 307-7 (Lewis 53, Salisbury 15), 71 overs. 350-424 mins, 87.5 overs. New ball taken at 364-8, 90.1 overs. Innings closed at 6.21pm

By NORMAN HOWELL

MARTIN Brundle did try to have a quiet morning after his third place in the French grand prix on Sunday. He helped get his two children ready in the morning, then he took them to school. But when he got back to his Norfolk home he knew he was not

going to have a normal day. There were more than 100 faxes snaking their way round the study. And the 'phone has been hot with use. But I love it. See, I have had more disappointments than successes in Formula Onc. So I told myself that that I would quickly forget the bad times, and really savour the good ones," said

Brundle yesterday morning.

He had to wait three hours

before he could have a celebra-

tory drink of champagne. The French lorry drivers' strike encouraged no one to linger in the paddock after the race. "I had already decided that

I wasn't going to spray the stuff all over the podium but keep it instead for my mechanics. God knows they deserve it: and I was going to have a quick glass with them.
"But alcohol is banned in

public ceremonies in France. So no champagne for me or my crew. But I did get the

Indeed, an hour after the race. Brundle was still dutching the cup to his chest, a slightly dazed look on his face. He still couldn't believe that Lady Luck had finally decided to smile on him. "This is not the first good



on at least three occasions the car let me down. And when the car's engine cut out completely every time I took a right hander, I thought I just wasn't race I've had this season. But going to finish the race. For a while I felt so angry. Angry with the team because the car had a fault. Then I got angry with myself for being angry in the first place and losing my

But then all the knocks I have had for so many years came through to help me. I felt clear and relaxed. Much worse had happened to me. This was my opportunity."
Brundle's result was a very

popular one in the Formula One paddock. He is one of the nice guys in the sport. Ready to share his knowledge, courteous with the sponsors, and happy also to spend time with the "normal" people in the sport, the journalists, the mechanics, the public relations staff of the teams.

"I am a team player. People say I live in the shadow of

Michael Schumacher, and of world champions were Nigel Mansell. It makes me

angry.

Take Michael. I have great admiration for him. He is a very genuine talent. But one of the reasons I am in the team is that I have experience, I contribute significantly at debriefing sessions. And my team-mate benefits a great

deal from this." thinks that he can be just as. fast as the current leader in the drivers championship. "I know I can have the perfect race strategy. What I am still missing is the speed. I have it when I have to come back after a serback

"But charging is not in my nature. Racing 10 per cent over the ragged edge, as Alesi does, is not my style. Most

smooth drivers, see Lauda. Prost and now Senna. And that is the secret to balance between the passion and the clinical."

Brundle has no illusions about his standing in the team. "I am here because Tom Walkinshaw believed in me. I am one of the less than 10 drivers who is paid to sit in a As for Mansell, Bruadle car, and that makes me vulnerable in the eyes of those in the team who are commercial-

ly minded." This is a reference to Flavio Briatore who, with Walkinshaw, runs the team. "It's true," says Briatore, "I

wanted Ivan Capelli But this is one of the rare occasions that I will admit that

I was wrong. Martin is



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horror - the merchandising machine

nce again the world is enslaved by a registered trademark. A black bat stretches its wings inside a yellow oval; or, depending on your standpoint, the logo might represent tonsils and two molars in a mouth seriously in need of oral

Move through the shops and the crowded streets: you will find it on T-shirts, caps, mugs, sportswear, key rings, pencils. Batman returns, just in time to promote this summer's biggest movie, called appro-priately Batman Returns, which opens in Britain this Friday. If you wish to escape it, you may have to travel to the moon.

in today's Hollywood, audience cultivation has become a costly business. The promotion of a big release can inflate a film's final cost by some eight million dollars, a sizeable fraction of many production budgets; for special occasions, the resources of Fort Knox may be summoned.

Advance reports indicate that Batman Returns is no ordinary summer time-waster. The director, Tim Burton, seems to have squeezed more of his quirky person-ality onto celluloid than he managed in Balman while Michelle Picifier, cast as Catwoman, has been declared by one excitable American critic to be "purriect... the car's meow".
Whatever the product, it is hard

not to be depressed by the tidal wave of hype and hideous merchandise these extravaganzas at-tract. Alongside the various brands of fast food, jeans and soft drinks, Hollywood's blockbusters saturate urban environments worldwide.

Sometimes a few choice words will do the trick. Posters for Total Recall, the summer behemoth of 1990, dangled just one. "Schwarzenegger", 'frie letters' shouted, against a background suggesting a celestial apocalypse. Audiences auccumbed in droves

Sequels, the staple of America's summer fare, lend themselves especially to this monolithic approach, since the spade work has already been done. Emblazon a poster with Sigourney Weaver's shaved head, pins the title Aliens, and a queue of inithfuls forms immediately. Lethal Weapon 3, another summer sequel due in Britain soon, needs to show little more than Mel Gibson and Danny Glover holding guns, with comic relief Joe Pesci poking in between. The slogan says all that is required: "The magic is back

Other films require more vigorous marketing. Before Dick Tracy was launched in 1990, the producers, Disney, faced numerous hurdles thrown up by consumer research. Unlike Batman, who had his cult television series, the potential young audience were largely ignorant of Dick Tracy's place in popular culture. They also regarded Warren Beatty, the film's director and star, as yesterday's man.

The Disney company (pioneers in cinema merchandise) countered with a blitzkrieg, battering the public into submission with memo-rabilia matched to the film's Art Deco style. Shirts, mugs, glossy books, toys galore: they sold merrily for a time, but only until the film faded from memory.

Children of course, are especially vulnerable. The depleted ozone layer will not be responsible for finishing off the earth. Our imaginations atrophied, from Tooting to Timbuktu we will choke to death on the debris of turtle toys, little toxic monsters and cakes in the shape of Bart Simpson's head.

A substantial Hollywood release can no longer be regarded simply as a film. Digest these bone-chilling words by Brian Grazer, speaking in 1990 as co-chairman of Imagine Entertainment, the company be-hind films like Parenthood and the forthcoming Far and Away, directed by Ron Howard. "We should make movies", he said, "that have franchise or sequel opportunities, and are constructed in such a way to fully use merchandising and

This is the modern world. If Casablanca were being made to day, think of the prospects: Bogie dolls that squeak "Here's looking at you, kid!", toy pianos tinkling out "As Time Goes By", theme park editions of Rick's Cafe, with animatronic facsimiles of the stars. As the world stood in 1942, Warner Brothers did not even make a sequel. To be sure, the old Hollywood studios were run like factories, but they employed their best brains to create full-blooded films that could stand on their own. not packaged goods in a chain of merchandise.

ow we must gird our loins for what might be the ultimate marriage of movie, ballyhoo and merchandise: Steven Spielberg's colossal, high-tech version of Michael Crichton's novel Jurassic Park, set in a dinosaur theme park where the attractions run amok. Given Spielberg's cachet and the dinosaurs' grip on youngsters, a market-ing cataclysm seems likely when the film, still in pre-production after a year, bursts into view

How did we reach this horrid state? As with most things, it happened by degrees. In the days of Casablanca and before, there was less competition for audiences' time and money. Masses went to the cinema week after week, whatever the fare, whatever the publicity.

But now there are distractions galore. The studios aim to yank us from our televisions and VCRs with the same arm-twisting tactics that put identical cans of soft drinks in hands across the globe. We have long ago stopped being cinema spectators, banded together in a magical place for a unique experience; we are mass consumers, too often consuming junk.

Perhaps the movies never had an age of total innocence. The silent era did not know the term "spinoffs", yet they existed just the same fan magazines, dolls, sheet music featuring movie theme songs, even spoons with stars' heads imprinted on the handles. Chaplin alone let loose an avalanche of merchandise.

But the world was bigger then. Then Mickey Mouse came along. In 1930, a man offered Walt Disney \$300 for putting Mickey's face on school slates. Slates led to comic-strips, food packaging, watches, colouring books, toys and trinkets without number, to Mickey



Mega hype: the success of the 1959 film, Hercules, (top) inspired other studios to spend fortunes on promotion. Above: selling Batman buttons

Mouse Clubs and, ultimately, Disneyland, which opened in Ana-heim in 1955. Disney's operation showed how useful merchandise could be in nurturing target audiences and increasing profits, though compared to today Disney's marketing avalanche was just a

By the 1950s, cinema's traditional audience was becoming dangerously eroded by television. So the distributor and producer Joseph E. Levine blazed another trail, pioneering the Film From Which There Is No Escape. In 1959 this latter-day Barnum spent \$120,000 acquiring the American distribu-tion rights for a laughable slab of Italian hokum called Hercules. featuring Steve Reeves, Californian muscleman. He then used ten times that amount in promotion. pushing the film out all over the country in 600 cinemas - almost double the number then generally used by major Hollywood releases. The result of his staggering expenditure was staggering profits: the film became one of the year's top box-office hits, earning well over four million dollars.

The following year. Levine proposed opening films simultaneously on 1,500 acreens. Studios and exhibitors reeled at the thought, but three decades later, time has finally caught up with this prophetic showman. Warner Brothers opened Batman Returns in June on over 2,500 American screens. to no competition from other studios. James Bond laid another stepping-stone to the future. "No good having a good movie if the public

ducer who nurtured the film series. Unit publicist Tom Carlile whipped up whirlwinds of media coverage for each new .007 adventure. By 1965 shops were choked with lan Fleming's original novels, toy Aston-Martins. little attaché cases with

hidden toy guns, even radio, and what did you hear? Shirley Bassey, yelling Goldfinger. The world was in

bondage. A decade on, at the end of the 1970s, came the outburst of movie spectacles designed to appeal to the child in all of us: Star Wars, Jaws. E.T. Not every merchandising blitz paid dividends: as Larry Carlat in Variety once reminisced, "Somehow E.T. seemed a lot less enchanting on a key chain or a thermos". But the huge box-office success of such pictures galvanised manufacturers as never before, and stimulated producers to pile more and more effort into force-feeding the public with films designed to be sputt into a thousand consumer goods. The extraordinary success of the Batman promotion in 1989 - in some American urban areas teenagers

ballyhoo. bat logo - has galvanised the

for untrumpeted films to capture the public's fancy. Studios love them, for surprise hits allow them to coin a mint from comparatively little outlay, and offset the millions of dollars their blockbusters consume. Home Alone, the box-office darling of Christmas 1990, came from nowhere, and caught the merchandisers napping. When the sequel arrives, however, be prepared to duck.

There is still room in the business

industry all over again.

But there is scant room left for the smail, choice film, the flawed

diamond, the off-beat item that warrants attention but fails to reach cult status. So many deserving films, so many artists, from all over the world, get squeezed out of cinemas and the public mind by Hollywood giants and their

centenary, drastic measures are called for. Popular cinema should turn back the clock and return to basics. The world needs a good film, plain and simple, not another

TOMORROW

Five-star performance? Benedict Nightingale on Grand Hotel as Tommy Tune finally comes to London

Once more round the track, dear friends

o I was sitting there at the bar with an old friend, one with whom I shared an office 22 years ago, and it was coming up to closing time, so we were almost the last people in the place, when the barman approached us and said: You two gentlemen look as if you've been round the track a few times: do you mind if I ask you for a bit of advice about women?

We almost spilled our drinks. We looked at each other in astonishment. Who did he take us for? What had we come to?

! think it was Philip Toynbee, writing in The Observer in the early Sixties, who said that a key moment arrives in the life of every man when he ceases to be promising and begins to recognise himself as a failure. That change, he said, tends to coincide with the moment when a gay young dog becomes a dirty old man.

(The observation might have been written in the late rather than the early Sixties - though, evidently, it predates the appropriation of the word "gay" from hetero to homosexual inclinations. The author might have been A.J.P. Taylor, Kenneth Tynan or Richard Crossman, all dead. The journal might have been the New Statesman, The Listener or The Manchester Guardian, dead, dying or gone to hell. Another key stage of transition must be recognised when you cannot depend on your memory to come up with reliable distinctions between one damned thing and another - but it doesn't matter much because the dead never answer back.) I leaned upon this unsteady

recollection last week, when I was visiting a colleague in his office. I found him negotiating with bitter grace the other loop of the Toynbee double helix. "Welcome to the Old Farts' Rest Room," he said, offering me a chair beside his desk. "This is the end of the corridor where old executives are sent to die. The Young Turks are next door, hatching plots. God knows what they are

I met this man 15 years ago when he landed his first responsible job. The thrilling terror he felt at that age was visible in all his manners and his behaviour. Early to work and late to leave, he tiptoed through every meeting and the composition of every memorandum, aghast that he might commit a solecism or a folly which would show his seniors that he was hopelessly out of his depth. A curt word or a sharp cut from any one of them would sink him into an oceanic quicksand of despondency from which he would have to be hauled by hand in the pub at lunch or after work and far into the night. Five or six years older than he

was, I would try to reassure him

MID LIFE

Neil Lyndon fears he might be safe to

share a taxi with



with the words spoken to me by a kindly older colleague whose job I was taking over when I was 27. "It is a very peculiar moment," she said, "when you realise that people younger than you are not necessarily inexperienced." Respectful to the point of reverence towards his elders, my young friend in his big new job took a word of encouragement from them as a foriorn suitor takes a warm glance from the one he hopelessly adores he bloomed and grew and a faint smile played

around his lips as he bent again to his work, as if he was telling himself, "I can do it: I shall

See him now, what a miserable

doesn't know about it," was the

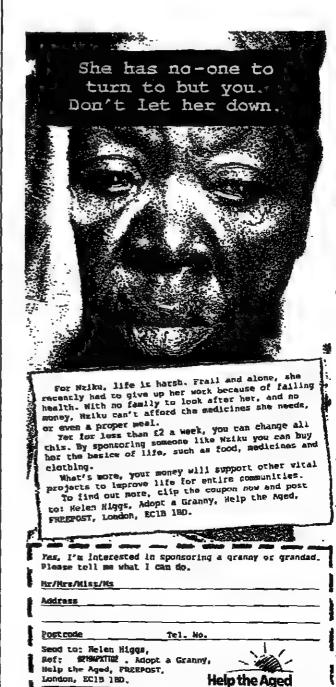
old bastard he has become; and how it suits him. He now finds himself jurnior in office but senior in age to some of his bosses, about whose weaknesses of judgment and intelligence he carps and snipes incessantly. "I have discovered", he said, "that people younger than you may not be inexperienced but that doesn't mean that they know how to do things properly. A most extraordinary thing has happened to me," he said, lifting his feet onto his desk and drinking the coffee which he had confidently ordered his secretary to make. "I find that I have become the veteran of the office, the one who has seen and done it all before. I am now the one to whom they all refer if they want to know how it was done in the old days. This all seems to have happened in about three months."

No longer the coming man, suddenly the veteran, he might see himself as a failure, but my old friend would never, I think, be counted a dirty old man, being tidily married and devoted to the fatherhood of a pair of infants. In the eyes of barmen and young friends, it appears that the second loop of the Toynbee double helix has ensnared not him but me.

Any young hopeful who wants to know how scores were made and kept in the old days now seems to refer the question to me. They may not be inexperienced; but that doesn't mean that they know how to get from first to second base in the progress of romance. They come to me because they assume that I have done and seen it all and am, as a consequence, too clappedout to take anything but a conversa-

tional interest in sexual affairs. Young women ring me up or ask to go out to lunch so that they can discuss the achings of their hearts. They ask me what they should do about the man who fears commitment or the one who sits up until the middle of the night drinking whisky when he could be fast in a loving embrace. God help me, they seem to think that I am their uncle or that I might want to adopt them. They don't even do me the courtesy of presending that I might have baser thoughts on my mind and the means to implement them.

It would do my heart good to think that I was considered dangerous but I fear that the most damning of all legends may have got around and that I may now be known as being SiT - safe in taxis. That is even more dispiriting than being recognised by a stranger as being one who has been round the



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AUSTRALIAN BALLET: The company, namine seleptioning of thirtesh birthday, or night a programme designed to show office versativity and vibrancy. The season opens tonight with the perceival favourine, Coppella, before moving on to a double bill of the much performed (perhaps too much of late! Gisele and the British premiere of Stephen Baynes's Catalyst, set to muse o, Foulencisee feature, right; Coliseum, St Maron's Lane, London M.CZ 1071-835 31611, tonight-Sat 7 30pm, mat Sat, 2.30pm.

EDWARD BAWDEN: Vinen Edward Bawden died three years ago, at the age or SE, he was most familiar in the role car centrated on his immense versativity. It is easy to lose track of how many familiar designs for crockery, patterned papers, textiles, letter-headings and book illustrations can from his ferble brain. This tribute from ins retried train. This tribute exhibition ineveals all this as well as his more formal painted work, showing Bawden to be a truly popular artist in a way that scarcely any others of his sophistication have achieved. Fine Art Society, 148 New Bond Street, London W1 (071-629 5116), Mon-Fr., 9.30am-5.30pm, Sat, 10am-

1pm, opens today-July 31.
TENNYSON CENTENARY: Tennyson TENNYSON CENTENARY: Tennyson vas a Lincotristive man, writing many dialect poems to prove it. It is suitable, therefore, that the principal marking of the centerary of his death should be in Lincoln. It covers the grandest of his social contacts, his friendship with Queen Victoria, through correspondence from the Royal Archives in Windsor, and contains much documentary material about his reliators with great and famous contemporanes But the visual side is contemporanes But the visual side is not forgotten. Iulia Margaret Cameron, a close finend of the poet, is most prominently featured among the photographers, with portraits of him

M ANGELS IN AMERICA: Tryiling performances in Tony Kushner's faconating state-of-the-Union drama on Ads. religion, politics, everything. National (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252), Tonight, tomorrow, 7 15pm, mat tomorrow, 1 30pm. 210mlns.

_ AS YOU LIKE IT: Catheryn Harrison and Oliver Parker find true love in the forest, Mana Aitken's first Park

Open Air, Regent's Park, NW1 (071-486 2431). Tonight, tomorrow, 8pm, mat tomorrow, 2 30pm 130mms, DEATH AND THE MAIDING AMI Dorfman's scorching psychological drama on the longing for revenge: Geraldine James, Michael Byrne and

Paul Freeman Duke of York's, St Martin's Lane, VVC2 (071-836 5122) Mori-Sat, Sprii, mais Thurs, 3prii, Sat, 4pm, 120mins. DEJAVU: Jimmy Porter 36 years on.

Osborne's hero rants and whanges but in a vacuum, and Peter Egan seems too good-natured to be the Angry Old Man. Comedy, Panton Street, SW1 (071-867 1045), Mon-Sat, 7,45pm, mals Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm, 170mms. THE DYBBUK: Julia Pascal's ghetto an 1942 New End, 27 New End, Hampstead, NV/3 (071-794 0022) Tues-Sun,

7.30pm, mais Sun, 4pm, 80mms. A JUDGEMENT IN STOME Show Hancook leads a powerful cast in intense musical thinlier based on a Right Rendell novel an ifforate servant talls a very nice, middle-class family. Lyric Hammersmith, King Street, WE 1081-741 2311). Mor-Sat, 7 45pm, mat Sat, 4pm 135mins. Final week, THE NIGHT OF THE IGUANA

Affred Molina and a superb Eileen Atlans in Termestee Williams's play on the effects of sexual repression. Hardonal (Lyttelton), South Bank, 5E1 (071-928 2353), Today, 2 15pm and

THE BEST INTENTIONS (12) Ingmar Bergman's tasonating tale of his parents' turbulent countship and marriage, Dull direction by Bille August;

Gate (071-727 4043) Lumière (071-836 0691)

THE BUTCHER'S WIFE (12) Arch withings about a New York burcher's dairwayant wife (Derni Mooret, partly salvaged by bright lines and a genel ast. left Damels, Mary Steenburgen. Director, Terry Hughes MidM Fulhum Road (07 1-370 2636) MIGM Tottenham Court Road (071-356 61-38) MIGM Trocadero (071-434 0021)

CASABLANCA (U): The 50th anniversary release of the cult lavoum brilliantly written, awash with exotic atmosphere Bogart. In light Bergiran, Paul Henried, Claude Rains; director,

THE INNER CROLE (15): Muddled

THE RAPTURE (18): Disaffected

(Ne RAPTURE (18): Deaffected woman (Mmi Rogers, excellent) becomes Born Again. Provocative exploration of spiritual malaise, winter and directed by Michael Tolkin. MGM Fulham Road (071-370-2536) MGM Panton Street (071-330-0531) MGM Tottenham Court Road (071-636-6148).

◆ SLEEPWALKERS (18): Absurd, bungled horror move written by Stephen King, Brian Krause as a

adventures of Stain's film projectionist, an innocent among demons. Directed by Russian Andrei Konchalovsky; Tom Huice, Loina Davidovich.

on Haymarket (0426 915353).

Michael Curriz. Empire (071-497 9999).

THE BUTCHER'S WIFE (12) Arch

NEW RELEASES

TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Kari Knight

and idustrations of his works. The disstrations of Edward Lear, another old mend, show to advantage, and there are numerous paintings inspired by Tennyaon from the Pre-Raphaelitus and

other arisss of the period. Usher Gullery, Lindom Road, Lincoln (0522 27980). Mon-Sat, 10am-5.30pm, Sun, 2.30-5pm, opens today-5ept 12. ROYAL BALLET: The company gives the first performance this season of its new triple bill. There is the florrance tradison of Les Sylphides (Fiona Chadwick and Mark Silver), Astron's lyncal A Month in the Country (Genesi Rosato and Bruce Sansom) and MacMillan's ragiline romp Elite Syncopations (Bonnie Moore and Sansom)

Sarsom. Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2 (071-240 1966), 7.30pm. London WC2 (071-240 1066), 7.30pm.
ALI FARKA TOURE: The blues singer, composer and gurtarist, inspired by the traditional music of his native Mañ, appeals to an audience that enjoys African, blues and folk, 70 coincide with the release of The Source, his first album in two years, Toure will be playing three UK dares. Toure will be playing three UK dares. Zup Club, Brighton (0273 775987), tonight, 8pm. Band on the Wall, Manchester (061-832 6625), Fr. 8.30pm. The Grand, London (071-738 9000), Sat, 8.30pm. THE GOLDEN ASS: Mike Ashman offices a new play by Gerald
Killingworth for Golden Ass
Productions. Adapted from the novel by
Apuleus, the production is said to be
in keeping with the bawdy and magical
elements of the Latin novel. Designs by
Bermard Cubhaw

SCARBOROUSH: Continuing in the repersore are Tim Firth's Neville's Island — four middle-aged men are absurdly wrecked in Derwertwater, turning a weekend jaurn timo a neghronare — and Clifford Odets's tale of romance, stifled sexuality and thwarted ambition. Rocket to the Moon. Opening in the studio this week will be Tim Firth's latest play, A Bigger Stice of the Pie (today, 12.30pm), and Dave Sheably's new work, Apple Biossom Afternoon (Thurs, 12.30pm). Stephen Joseph (Treatine in the Round (0.723.370541)

Old Red Llan, 418 St John Street, EC1

ABSENT PRIENDS: Gary Bond stars in

A Leeds to-production with the Limic, Hammersmith, of Ayckbourn's masterfully shrewd comedy. West Yorkshire Playhouse, Quarry Hill Mount, Leeds (0532 A42711).

Tonight, 8pm, tomorrow-Fn, 7.30pm. CHELTENHAM INTERNATIONAL

CHELTENHAM INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF MUSIC This year's festival (the 48th) has a Swiss theme. As well as featuring work by Swiss composers, it focuses on the Important role played in 20th-century music by the Swiss aris patron Paul Sacher. Today brings performances by the Maggini Quartet groung the world premiere of Stephen Oliver's String Quartet in a provizione of Hawing and

Siepnen Oliver's streng Quarest in a programme of Haydn and Szymanowski (11am, Pittville Pump Room), and an appearance by Camerata Bern playing Swiss music from the baroque composer Kasper Firtz in a mused programme (Spm, Town Hall). Cheltonham International Festival of Music (Box office: 0.242 523690).

BRYAN ADAMS; Having spent much

BRYTAN AUABANE: naving spent much of 1991 at the top of the charts with "(Everything I Do) I Do It For You", the Canadian rock star turns his atternon in the live circuit with a series of UK gigs. Manchester Maina Road Stadiusa, Manchester (061-226 2224), 3pm.

(071-837 7816), previews tornight, tomorrow, 8pm; opens Thurs, 7pm.

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

House full, returns only Some seats availab

FHILADELPHIA, HERE I COMER Affectionate comedy of an Insh emigrant and his carping after ego. Excellent revival of Brian Fine's first success. King's Head, 115 Upper Street, N1 (071-226 1916) Tues-Sat, Spm, mats Sat, Sun, 3.30pm, 120mms. Transfers to Wyndham's on July 28.

POND LIFE: Touching performances by a young cast in Richard Cameron's quet drama of teenagers angling for Quet brame or regengers angung to carp and love.
Bush, Shepherds Bush Green, W12 (061-743 3388), Mon-Sat, 8pm. 105mins, Final week.

C.P. Taylor's warmhearted version of Starnheim's satire on snobbery among music lovers. Merry performances. Greenwidt, Crooms Hell, SE10 (081-858 7755), Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mat Sat, 2.30pm 140mins.

M SIX DEGREES OF SEPARATION: Stockard Chamming recreates her role as the nich New Yorker transfigured by a black con artist in John Guare's fine play Royal Court, Sloane Square, SW1 (071-730 1745). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mass Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm 90mins. Inurs, spin, Sat, spin Surines.

John Malkovich in a lightweight drame that seems to equate East-European dissidence with getting girls into bed. Shaftesbury, Shaftesbury, Avenue, WCZ (071-379 5399). Mon-Thuis, Spin, Fn, Spin and Spin, Sat, 4 30pm and 8, 30pm, 150mms.

THE SOUND OF MUSIC, Nuns, Nazis, squeaky-clean tots and drops of

golden sun: a sweet holiday from the real world. With Liz Robertson and Christopher Cazenove. Sadler's Wells, Rosebery Avenue, ECT (071-278 8916). Tues-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Tues, Thurs, Sat, 2.30pm 165mins.

I STRAIGHT AND NAIDOW Hisholaeth And Transcore: Nicholae Lyndhurs, Niel Daglish and Carmel McSharry in Bloadle comedy about a doung mother's womes, notably her gay son.
Aldwych, Aldwych WC2 (071-836 6404), Mon-Sat, Spm, mais Wed, 3pm, Sat, 5pm

A WOMAN OF NO INSTORTANCE Philip Provise's stylish RSC production, in London after a triumphant tour. Callous anstocrat wronged woman: melodrama luced with Wilde's wit. Theathin Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (071-930 8800), Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2 90pm, 165mins,

LONG RUMBES: | Mont grathers Phoenix 071-867 1044)... | Buddy: Victoria Palace (071-834 1317) Victoria Palace (071-834 1317)

Carmen Jones: Old Vic (071-928 7616)

Carts: New London (071-405 0072)

Garrick (071-494 5085)

Don't Dress for Dinner: Apolio (071-494 5070)

With Gary Lineker: Duchess (071-494 5070)

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With Gary Lineker: Duchess (071-494 5070)

The Guys Named Most Lync (071-494 5037)

Me and My Gift: Adapha (071-494 5037)

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St Martin's (071-493 1443)

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CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

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 BASIC INSTINCT (18): San Francisco detective Michael Douglas and ice-pick murder suspect Sharon Stone ride a sondid psycho-serual rollercoaster. MGM Baker Street (071-935 9772) MGM Chebian (071-352 5096) MGM Parton Street (071-930 0631) MGM Shafussbury Avenue (071-836 6279/379 7025) Odeons: Kensington (0426 914666) Mezzanine (0426 915683) Plaza (071-497 9999) UC Whiteleys (071-792 3332)

HOWARDS END (PG): Absorbing HOWARIJS EMD (TV). ADDITION OF BOOK SENSON OF EM, FORSET'S NOVEL ABOUT TWO COLLING (Arribony Hopiurs, Emma Thompson, Helena Bonham-Carter, Director, James Novy, Curzon Mayfair (071-465 8865) Curzon Phoenix (071-240 9661).

THE LONG DAY CLOSES (12), Terence Davies's powerful evocation of childhood's lost paradise. With Leigh McCommack, Marjone Yates, and a wonderful aural collage of Fifaes Britain.

Barbican (071-636 8891) Curzon West End (071-439 4805) Scraum on Baker Street (071-935 2772),

 THE LOVER (18): Jean-Jacques
 Annaud's over-careful, farthfully enoice adaptation of Marguente Duras's autobiographical novells about an adolescent girt's discovery of ser and love in Twentes colonial Indo-China.
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◆ THE PLAYBOYS (12t Love and jealousy in an itesh village in 1957. Strong performances (Abtert Firmly), Robin Wright, Aufan Qurrnl, but soo much blamey, Director, Gilles Martinger, Director, Gilles

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♦ THE PLAYER (15) Dazzling sabre on Hollywood, directed by Robert Aliman from Michael Tollun's novel Tim Robbins as the studio executive who kills a synter; plus cameos and walk-ons

galore MGM Chelses (1771-352 5095) Odeons: Kensington (0425 914666) Leicester Square (0426 915683; Screen on the Hill (071-435 3366) UCI Whiteleys (071-792 3332)

VAN GOGH (12) Maunce Palac's masterly, no-nonsense portrait of the painter's last months. Fine performance from singer-jumed-actor performance from singer-turned-actor lacques Dutronc. Minema (071-235 4225) Renoir (071**OPERA**

Scenes from the story of Mann

TWO operas drawn from Thomas Mann: both are set in Italy, both explore the conflict between north and south, between Apollo and Dionysus, between the spirit and the senses, and both explore less than comfortable aspects of their creators' psyches.

There has been a rash of Mario and the Magician operas over the last 15 years. Most have stressed the identification of Cipolla, the manipulative magician, with Mussolini and treated the story as a metaphor for the rise of fascism. That idea is proposed with the lightest of touches in Mann's story. which seems more concerned with another self-portrait: his nickname within the family was "the Magician", and Cipolla is Aschenbach to the power of three. Indeed, the transformation of the memory of fancying a chunky waiter in Viareggio into fiction of depth and resonance is part of the tale's slightly sinister fascination.

Stephen Oliver's setting in one act was first given in 1988 in Batignano, and Almeida Opera staged the London premiere last Thursday. It is a supremely skilful piece of work. Oliver's own libretto beefs up the fascist metaphor with a discretion worthy of Mann, and strengthens the Mann identification by turning the male narrator into a German widow. Otherwise it is admirably faithful.

To describe Oliver's word-setting as easy and natural-sounding might make it sound anodyne, which it emphatically isn't: his feel for the musico-dramatic qualities of the English language was as fully developed as Britten's, and would repay close study by aspiring peers. So would his colourful, busy but supportive scoring for chamber ensemble, which under Mario and the Magician Almeida Opera Death in Venice Glyndebourne

Nicholas Kok's direction in the pitless Almeida would have drawn attention from a production less gripping than that of Tim Hopkins.

There are quite excellent performances from Lynne Davies (the Landlady who dressed Duse), Paul Nilon (the bowler-hatted Citizen straight out of Mann) and Garry Magee (the macho potboy Guiscardo). Jonathan Butterell plays the near-silent role of Mario, a post-pubertal Tadzio, with great tact. Over all lears the decayed, chain-smoking Cipolla of Richard Jackson, vocally a little cautious but appropriately hypnotic in his com-mand of proceedings. The climactic kiss is a moment of genuine horror.

Mann's Mario is a satyr-play version of Death in Venice, and to return to Britten's setting of the earlier story should be to re-enter a world of near-sanity. Stephen Lawless's production for Glyndebourne Touring Opera has joined the festival repertory in much improved state. There is persua sive new choreography by Ian Spink, the London Philharmonic plays magnificently for Graeme Jenkins (whose conducting is now more expansive, but no less compellingly paced), and the vital contribution of the chorus is beyond oraise.

The principals are as before. Alan Opie repeats his virtuoso Traveller, the Cipolla half of Mann (and of Britten



Hypnotic: Richard Jackson as Cipolla in Mario and the Magician

stage, agent-provocateur Apout.
Which is what worries me about Lawless's production. Aschenhach is being set up by a near-conspiracy of beach-boys flaunting themselves in designer swimwear and lip-smacking. Prodigal Son-style Tempters. This is emphasised by Robert Tear's more enternalised but still wonderfully sung

too), and Michael Chance is the on-stage, agent-provocateur Apollo. Aschenbach: his retreats into rationalising dry recitative are now almost comic. The opera seems to be about a worky classics master being forced to come to terms with himself. whereas I think (or hope) that Mann and Britten had something more universal in mind.

RODNEY MILNES

THEATRE

Adrift on its first voyage

Columbus: Blooding the Ocean Traverse, Edinburgh

THE new Traverse lies under the soaring atrium of a gracefully modern office tower near the Usher Hall. At the moment the subterranean feeling is exciting: time will tell whether the dark

spaciousness, even the magnificently

roomy bar, will become oppressive.

The atmosphere sets off ominous preechoes of the Barbican's Pit. The larger of the two auditoriums (250 seats) recalls the old theatre in its sharply raked seating. Otherwise there is nothing but gain: air conditioning, cushioned comfort, half a dozen seat/stage figurations. Those puritans who maintain that the Traverse is not the Traverse unless it is hot, cramped and uncomfortable, can rest assured that one tradition remains unchanged. The opening production is in the mode all too solidly established in the old

slightly dull.
The author, Michele Celeste, scored a success with Hanging The President,

Grassmarket: worthy, earnest and

MAKING her first appearance here for almost a decade, the Atlanta-born singer was quick to tell the first of two Hammersmith audiences that she had prepared herself for the possibility that short memories and a depressed economy might leave her singing to rows of empty seats. But performers of Gladys Knight's intense declamatory powers are few and far between today. and on taking the stage in an eccentric

gown of purple and silver she came face-to-face with a standing ovation. But then Knight's attacking, gospelinflected vocal style and larger-than-life personality are tailor-made to inspire loyalty, and a catalogue of hits stretching back over 30 years allows her to

an award winner performed in Europe and America. His new play sets out to chart the relationship between Columbus, his Spanish masters and the New World. After becoming becalmed in explanations, it finally founders on the rocks of symbolism.

Jacqueline Gunn's imposing set, not sufficiently exploited in Ian Brown's production, gives us the deck and stern of the Nina, a network of ropes and rigging. Caonabo, the king of Caribs, s shackled to the mast, a gift for Ferdinand and Isabella. The grizzled Columbus (Stuart Hepburn) argues with the hidalgo Don Juan (Simon Donaid) about the profitability of the New World, about the value of slavery

It slowly emerges that Columbus is as much an outsider as the captive king, despised and mistrusted by the Spanish. The game of one-upmanship is watched by what should be the play's most complex character, the native interpreter, baptised and accepted by the Europeans as a privileged servant. Akim Mogaji gives a quiveringly intense performance, reading more into the role than the play allows and making one wish for more depth in the characterisation. The board is laid out for a fascinating game but the pieces are pawns and movement is agonisingly slow. An exciting setting awaits stimulating writing.

MARTIN HOYLE

BLUES

Going down a storm

Midsummer Blues Festival Crystal Palace Bowl

EIGHT hours of top blues musicians. playing in the open air ought to be the stuff of dreams. Thanks to the capricious English weather: Saturday's gathering - part of the Radio One FM American Music Festival - turned

into a test of endurance. These were hardly ideal conditions for a blues party. Still, the opening act, John Campbell, left tongues wagging in the press tent, as did Jimmy Smith and Jimmy McGriff, the Hammond organ and saxophone double-act who are more used to playing at Ronnie

Texan guitarist Albert Collins had to contend with one of the heaviest downpours of the day, though that did not stop him from delivering a typically high-powered set, one which threatened to blow the lily-pads off the lake. One of the most emotional moments came with the appearance of Pops Staples, founder of the revered gospel group, the Staple Singers. Still an imposing figure at 77 (he looks all of 60), he played songs from his album Peace To The Neighbourhood. including a heartfelt "I Shall Not Be Moved".

Nevertheless, by the time that Buddy Guy arrived, the crowd could be forgiven for feeling bedraggled. What we needed was a bout of knock-emdead rabble-rousing, and Guy duly obliged. Though his eclectic tastes and his axe-hero histrionics may not appeal

to the blues purists, he was the perfect act for this occasion. Wasting little time, he bounced his group through a seamless collection of R&B and soul standards. Paying tribute to T-Bone Walker on "Call it Stormy Monday" he wryly gazed up at the dark clouds, as if challenging them to do their worst. "I Just Want to Make Love to You" was the cue for a spirited

attempt at audience participation. Would he, we wondered, embark on one of his celebrated walksbouts? As the band slipped into a vamp on "Knock On Wood" he donned one of his leadless guitars and set off around the side of the take, slowly making his way to the crowd barriers. Once he had reached the far side and genially handed out some pleaturns, he looked as if might wander off towards the hot dog stalls. But in a moment or two he had disappeared back into the musicians' enclosure. The show was over with a flourish, and as we began to trudge towards the exits the cold and wet no longer seemed quite so bad.

CLIVE DAVIS

POP

Still the way she was

offer a one-woman guide to the twists and turns of recent black music history.

Gladys Knight Hammersmith Odeon

It was, she claimed, to be a simple show: "Just Gladys Knight, a mike and a light." And so it proved, with the richness of her voice and a sty, relaxed wit carrying her through even those sections which veered a little too close

to cabaret for comfort. A presence as big as hers requires a mance of "Wind Beneath My Wings",

suitably big song, and some of

Knight's best have come from the pens of country and western songwriters. Nashville's fondness for story-songs suits her well, as "Best Thing That Ever Happened to Me" and "Neither One of Us", her duo of Jim Wetherly hits from the mid-1970s, proved. In a

similar vein was her majestic perfor-

the ballad she recorded almost ten years before it brought Grammies and

associated giory to Bette Midler. Performers of this longevity often find medleys an attractive proposition, allowing them to dispense with an awkward weight of hits in one quick sprint. But in the disparate selection of songs Knight sewed together at the end of a bravura performance — If 1 Were Your Woman". "The Way We Were" and "Midnight Train to George and "Midnight Train to Midnight Train to Midnight Train to Midnight Train to Midnight Trai gia" among them - each was dispatched with an intensity of feeling that marked her out as a singer still at the height of her considerable powers.

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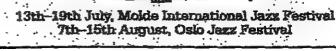
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Red rag to the blue-rinsed?

Patrick Garland is mixing theatrical innovation with proven tradition at: Chichester. Benedict Nightingale reports

n the wall of his office at Chichester, beside the photos of famous faces. Patrick Garland has hung what he calls "the most important thing ever said about running a theatre". It is a quotation from that. drama fanatic, Charles Dickeris, and it goes like this: "It is a remarkable fact in theatrical history, long estab-lished beyond dispute, that it is a hopeless endeavour to attract people to a theatre unless they can first be brought to believe that they will never

But how can Garland provoke that kind of giddy stampede among the sedate people of West Sussex? How is he to create that must-see feel at the Chichester Festival Theatre? The conventional wisdom is that he would have to dig up Alastair Sim and Margaret Rutherford, and cast them in a polite Pinero farce. But the challenge he has set in the second year of his second stint as the theatre's director is to generate excitement and fresh audiences for new work, starting with Melvyn Bragg's first play. King Lear in New York.

That would be a less remarkable aim at most regional reps than at Chichester, which has famously traditionalist audiences and no state subsidy. There, ordinary ambition becomes outrageous hubris. Nobody has officially explained why Michael Rudman resigned last year after only one season as the theatre's director; but it cannot have been unconnected with the artistic and, consequently, financial risks he took. Peter Hall's production of Born Again, a musical version of Ionesco's Rhinoceros, won admiration for its imaginative brio:. but it was far from recovering its costs. When Rudman scheduled another ambitious and expensive musical for 1991, Till Tomorrow, he was in effect handing a nervous

board his own severed head. No wonder, then, Garland looks worried as he munches sandwiches beneath his Dickensian motto. Last year he played safe, bastily bringing in the eternal Keith Michell in Shakespeare's patriotic Henry VIII.
This year, it is John Stride as a turbulent thespian staging a come-back in New York - could the result be his Born Again or Till Tomorrowt Bragg's play is apparently not a rerun of his television serial, A Time to Dance. "No bank managers



Patrick Garland in Chichester, keen to build a new audience for new work: "My job is to push forward the frontiers of the mainstream"

through the Lake District," Gariand assured his board. But it is, he says. gutsy stuff: "You hear the authentic sound of the contemporary voice. You see the passionate, tormented, neurotic relationships that are so much part of the fabric of our lives today."

n translation, that would seem to mean that the Chichester audience can expect rather more sex and strong language than usual. How will it react? Could Lear it. New York bring about a bit more tolerance for the new and mildly risky? The first signs have not been good. Advance ticket sales are poorer than for any of this year's four main-house productions, including Goldsmith's She Stoops to Conquer, which does not open until mid-August The public has become less willing to buy seats for a whole season; and it is untried work which inevitably suffers. "I could cast Jane Fonda in a new play and they'd still

be wary," moans Garland." Yet he finds consolation in the

If Bragg's play fills only 60 per cent of the theatre's 1,400 seats, the other offerings must average at least 80 per cent, and are doing so. And though Donald Sinden in Fry's Venus Observed may merely confirm the view that Chichester likes big names in upbeat revivals, the pull of Kenneth Branagh in Coriolanus seems more

encouraging.
"It's not Much Ado or The Shrew."
says Garland. "It's a fiery, feisty
young company in a play which few people seem to know. And I've the evidence of the box office and my eyes that it is drawing a new audience to Chichester. Not so middle-class, middle-aged and middle-brow. Not the blue-rinsed brigade that has been our staple fare. A younger age-group, a different social class." It is, he claims, an audience for tomorrow.

Is this balanced optimism or hopeful bluster? Perhaps a bit of both. Chichester will never be a rural Royal Court, provoking rebellion among the Sussex peasantry, nor should it try to be. But its reach is wide -

Brighton, even north to London and the theatrical tastebuds out there must be pretty various. Nor should those who accuse the theatre of opting for stars in "nice" plays forget history: Olivier in Uncle Vanya; Finney in John Arden's Armstrong's Last Goodnight: Bates in Osborne's A Patriot for Me: Sinden in Ibsen's An Enemy of the People.

hose are not vacuously glittering performers, nor bland plays, Moreover, mafor actors still seem willing to give a summer to Chichester, even though the financial woes of the West End have made the prospect of a transfer less likely. Nevertheless, the theatre's creative highlights have sometimes guttered at the box-office. In 1980 Ted Tally's play about Scott of the Antarctic, Terra Nova, got excellent reviews, but proved a financial failure. Even A Patriot for Me did far better when it moved to London

thum in Chichester itself. The task facing Garland is obvious.

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tradition, in the form of finely performed classics, with evolution, in the form of plays that stretch audiences without breaking their loyalty. Moreover, it is to accomplish this in the main theatre, not just in the 250seat Minerva. As Garland says: "A policy that confines works of artistic endeavour to a studio is a cop-out. My job is to push forward the

frontiers of the mainstream." That sounds unexceptionable enough; yet Garland admits there was a point recently when his nerve faltered. Would Chichester really buy the priapic Bragg? It was the boxoffice manager, he says, who set him right. "Don't you dare think that way," she told him. "If you don't do work like that, we just become a nice genteel country theatre. We must have a national focus. We must aim to be an international theatre."

Maybe that, too, should go on his wall: and a little higher than Dickens.

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CLASSICAL MUSIC: PREVIEW

Progress on the Eastern front

ing, sometimes beard-ed — and invariably dead. That is the popular view of a composer, according to William Relton, general manager of the Eastern Orchestral Board. It is an image he is determined to change, believing that such fusty misconceptions are a barrier to

understanding new music Relton suggests an alternative model. British, male, aporoachable, amusing, deanshaven - and unquestionably alive. This is Relton's Living Composer, an idea and personality celebrated in an Eastern Orchestral Board scheme of the same name.

The Eastern Orchestral Board works in conjunction with total authorities to promote professional orchestral music across the vast and varied territory of the East of England. The region has a proven appetite for orchestral music but was until recently poorly nourished, with no regional orchestra and few suitable venues.

From EOB's London office, Relton offers advice to orchestras and promoters on programmes and venues. EOB also offers guarantees against loss, using funds from the Aris Council and member authorities' subscriptions. Financial incentives are offered for adventurous concerts, particularly those including new music.

The EOB's Living Compos er Scheme, now in its lifth year, highlights a particular composer for a two-year per iod. During that time, orchestras and promoters are encouraged to programme appropriate works in the region, while the composer participates in creative projects, talks and workshops.

The current Living Composer is not one but two people. David and Colin Matthews. brothers living within a mile of each other on opposite sides of Clapham Common, yet artistically quite distinct. Focus of the Living Composer scheme this summer is a three-day residency by the Orchestra of St John's Smith Square, directed by John Lubbock, at Southwell Minster in Nottinghamshire from today until Thursday. Each of the three evening concerts includes a work by one of the Manhews brothers, imaginatively sand-

mass and a Mozart concerto. During the Southwell residency orchestra members will undertake creative community work and informal recitals in youth clubs, schools and a home for the elderly, concerto soloists will coach promising youngsters; Lubbock will direct conducting sessions for A-Level candidates: and the vocal soloists will work with local adult choirs and Minster choristers. The Living Com-posers themselves will be in evidence throughout, giving talks and classes, assisting local schoolchildren with composition projects and helping them write a fanfare to open each evening's concert.

Though disarmingly selfeffacing, both David and Col-Matthews recognise an obligation to pass on their expertise to a new generation. David takes Britten's practical view of the composer as crafts-





In residence: Colin (top) and David Matthews

man and problem-solver, and is particularly looking forward to working with the children on the fanfares. "I don't like music which is far away from elemental human experience. or which exists on a plane of spurious higher thought. That's moving away from people towards machines. Very dangerous."

SUSAN STURROCK wiched between a Haydn details telephone (0602) 419741

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DANCE: John Percival on the return to London of the Australian Ballet

Strong enough to stand alone

ix months ago, Austra-lian dancers took every medal — gold, silver and two shared bronzes -- at this year's Adeline Genée awards. an international competition held in London by the Royal Academy of Dancing. If it had been a sporting coup it would have been all over the front pages. In fact Australians have been running off with more than their share of the awards for several years now. That quality of dancing, combined with that kind of competitive spirit, goes a long way to explaining the popularity of the Australian Ballet, which opens a two-week London season tonight with its produc-

tion of Coppelia.

The tradition goes back to the days before there even was a national ballet in Australia. Thirty-seven years ago a 15year-old girl named Marilyn Jones from New South Wales came to London on a scholarship to the Sadler's Wells school. Before she was out of her teens she had toured America with the Sadler's Wells Ballet, turned down a career at Covent Garden because of homesickness, and made her Sydney debut dancing the lead on the first night



Winning moves Australian Ballet shines in Coppelia

Another two or three years on, and Jones had danced with the young Rudolf Nureyev as a star of the Cuevas Ballet in France, then joined the newly-formed Australian Ballet, becoming its first world-class ballerina. This week she is back in London with that company, hured out

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Welch is one of several young dancers in the company who have set out to be choreographers, too. His ballet Of Blessed Memory is set to several of Canteloube's Songs of the Auvergne, and develops a misty mood to suggest the many continuing relation-ships of a child with its mother. The other new Australian ballet being given on this visit is by Stephen Baynes, a gifted character dancer whose offering is Catalyst. a plotless work with a theme reflecting the contrasting moods in Poulenc's Concerto for Two

Planos. What these two young creators have in common is the ability to show off the exuberant talents at all levels within the company, which is celebrating its thirtieth anniversary this year. It is predominantly a young company: even the most experienced

principal dancers joined only eight, nine or ten years ago either just before, or soon after, Maina Gielgud became direc-

Checkmate, Ninette de Valois's 1937 ballet about chess, which will be seen in a triple bill next week, also exemplifies the chances given in this company to dancers at the beginning of their careers. Jane Finnie is another of Australia's recent Adeline Genée gold medalists (vintage 1989); at 19, she is one of several casts for the Black Oueen in Checkmate.

Dame Ninette herself has been coaching the dancers in her ballet; Gielgud consistently counteracts Australia's geographical isolation by bringing in experts to work with her dancers. Another neglected English creation from the same period, Antony Tudor's comic Gala Performance, has already had the benefit of advice from Maude Lloyd, who created one of its

leading roles in 1938. These two works represent another strand of an artistic policy that has been remarkably consistent over the years. From the first season under its founding director. Peggy van Praagh, right through to today the company has always min-gled Australian creations with a selection of great works from the international repertoire of this century as well as the ubiquitous old classics.

The one big difference is that in its early days guest stars had to be invited to strengthen the company's appeal both at home and abroad. Nowadays, though, the Australian Ballet can stand alone without their

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Lambs combined. soap operas we are used to on Smoothie brute Marcus British television. We expect grey northern skies and east Tandy throws a girl on to the street, six weeks pregnant, and lands motels where hammy hurls her suitcase of clothes actors pick up the telephone a after her; is he the father? fraction before it rings, or else Ageing nightclub singer Trish blue skies matched with Aus-Valentine has a tiff with her windsurfing toyboy Dieter Schultz: is Dieter only interested in her cash? Bunny Charlson, ex-army, late forties, returns from Blighty to a surprise welcome home party.

tralian accents and characters who might at any moment hreak into a chorus of "I'm so Judging a new series by only He has his own surprise: he

year-old runaway he found begging in London. Has Bunny gone bonkers? A BBC crew arrives to doorstep Tandy. Is it about his porno videos? No, they accuse him of fraud and of fleeing British justice: what has Marcus been up to? And will randy Tandy get Pilar, the dishy Spanish girl he has just hired to work in his riding stables, into bed?

This kind of rat-a-tat melodrama is inevitable in a new series that has to entice viewers into switching on again and again. The fake Eldorado village has been built in Spain,

the pace slows, with perhaps 40 consecutive seconds passing without any new turn, you fully expect a mass murderer to enter the scene, or at least a satanic orgy. But the set looks good, the

sunny scenery will look even more attractive in the gloomy British winter. The characters. though initially painted in primary colours to impress themselves onto our consciousness, seem well enough drawn to develop into a community as believable as Coronarion Street or Albert Square.

Regular BBC viewers of this slot may be jolted by the cold turkey switch from Terry Wogan. If Eldorado's director could get Bunny or Marcus to give the camera an occasional knowing smirk or boyish wink, the transition might be a little easier.

JOE JOSEPH

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its first episode is as tricky as gauging a restaurant by only ARTS BRIEF

lucky, lucky, yucky."

Master classes

BRITAIN is playing host to the 1992 International Work-shop Festival, which brings together stars from the world of theatre, dance and circus for master classes. The festival presents an opportunity for 500 professional participants to work with some of the world's leading theatre directors, choreographers and performers in a wide range of master classes, demonstrations, workshops, seminars and discussions. The festival will open in London on August 29 with nine days of international theatre master classes. Later it moves to Bristol for classes led by circus artists, Londonderry for political theatre, and Nottingham for dance.

Last chance

THERE are several versions around of Leonardo da Vinci's composition Madonna of the Yarnwinder, and a corresponding ambiguity as to which, if any, of the known paintings is the original. The National Gallery of Scotland in Edinburgh (031-556 8921) offers a unique opportunity to see the main contenders together and assess the evidence for yourself. Evaluation can continue until Sunday.

Bon appetit: part two of a gourmet guide

France is famous for its restaurants. But where do you start?

Robin Young completes his gastronomic guide to fifty of the best he has found in his extensive explorations

THE TIMES

THIS is my sec-ond list of favourite restaurants in regard them as a second team to yesterday's selection. I have kept some bonnes bouches for the latter

part of the feast. Bills for lunch or dinner have usually been £70 to £130 for two. All telephone numbers should be prefixed by 010 33.

PARIS: Lucas-Carton, 9 place Madeleine, Paris 8e, 75008 (42 65 22 90)

Alain Senderens, the nouvelle cuisine pioneer, does not do much cooking now, but Bertrand Gueneron, his deputy, must also count as one of the great chefs. The smoked eel with beetroot and horseradish, langoustines in tarragon butter, and turbot with squid ink are the stuff of legends.

PARIS: Taillevent. 15 rue Lamennais, Paris Se, 75008 (45 61 12 90)

for including The reason Senderens's neighbour is that two three-star restaurants could scarcely be more different. Taillevent is the supreme French restaurant for carefully modernised reproduction of classical repertoire — calf's head with truffle jelly, ravioli of curried snails, etc.

ARBOIS: Jean-Paul Jeunet, 9 rue de l'Hôtel-de-Ville. Arbois, 39600 (84 66 05 67)

Jean-Paul's father was a great chef. The son's cooking makes superlative use of herbs and spices. Wild mushroom and savory mousse. lamb consommé with Jerusalem anichokes... original and artistic.

COLMAR: An Fer Rouge, 52 Grande-Rue, Colmar, 68000 (89 41 37 24)

Reluctant as I am to omit Colmar's Schillinger, Patrick Fulgraffs precision with cooking times and imaginative use of savours obliges in parsleyed chicken broth, John Dory and asparagus in thymescented olive butter sauce, and peach tart with almond cream argue in his favour.

DORDOGNE: Le Centenaire. Rocher de la Penne. Les Eyzies-de-Tayac, 24620 (53 06 98 15) Roland Mazère is one of the least known of France's golden-fingered chefs. Try his sel and quail in chestnut consommé, or ceps fried with parsley, and you wonder why.

NICE: Le Chantecler. Hôtel Négresco, 37 Promenade des Angiais, Nice, 06000 (93 88 39 51)

Dominique Le Stanc succeeded Jacques Maximin here, and kept the restaurant's reputation at the pinnacle. His cooking is deliciously delicate, and though he is from Alsace, captures all the scents and flavours of Provence. Bread-crumbed lamb's feet stuffed with ratatouille, sun-dried beans and tomatoes, red mullet with a potato and caviar salad and fantastic risottos are among the fabulous

LOT-ET-GARONNE: L'Aubergade, 52 rue Royale. Puymirol, 47270 (53 95 31 46) Puymirol is a little bastide outside Agen, and now firmly on every European gastronome's campaign map. Michel Trama's cooking is the reason: just the vegetables, polenta chips, snails and parsley butter, and butterflies fashioned of potato are worth the trip. Pigeon with pistachios, foie gras and lentils, or cabbage stuffed with rosemary-flavoured guineafowl

LOIR-ET-CHER: Bernard Robin. 1 avenue Chambord, Bracieux 41250 (54 46 41 22) Handily placed for touring Blois, Chambord and Cour-Cheverny. Bernard Robin's restaurant offers astounding creations such as marble of lamb with smoked fole

and superb desserts are bonuses.

gras served with a salad dressed with pistachio oil, and the world's best jugged hare. BAS-RHIN: Le Cerf. 30 rue

du Geni-de-Gaulle, Marienheim. 67520 (88 87 73 73) This is high on my list of visits for the Alsace region. Michel Husser, a disciple of Senderens, does a subtle mix of tradition and invention. Monkfish roasted with mustard, choucroute with sucking pig and smoked fole gras and presskopf with gribiche sauce are among his

BOUCHES-DU-RHÔNE: L'Oustau de Baumanière, Val d'Enfer. Les Baux-de-Provence. 13520 (90 54 33 07)

Raymond Thuilier is old. but still inspires the establishment Jean-André Charial, his son-in-law, takes charge, the chef is Alain Burnel, and the restaurant's petits pois, green beans and baby carrots from the garden are the 1992 equivalent of Proust's madeleines.

ISÈRE: La Pyramide, [4] boulevard F. Point. Vienne, 38200 (74 53 01 96)

What a delight to include this establishment. This was the birthplace of all modern French cookery, and the street is named for Fernand Point, who made it so. Now Patrick Henriroux cooks in the great man's shadow with his own confident style. Try mullet with lime and oregano, pot-au-feu with Cornas or rabbit sauté for proof.

LYON: Paul Bocuse, pont de Collonges, Collonges-au-Mont-d'Or, 69660 (78 22 01 40)

Paul Bocuse, the world's most celebrated chef, has his cooking done for him these days by Roger Jaloux and Christian Bouvarel. They do it perfectly. The repertoire still includes truffle soup as served to Valéry Giscard d'Estaing, muliet rescaled with potatoes, lobster gratin Fernand Point, and pigeon in puff pastry with foie gras. Faultless.

AUVERGNE: Jean-Yves Bath, place Marché St Pierre, Clermont-Ferrand, 63000 (73 31 23 23)

Clermont-Ferrand is now one of those cities where a gastronome faces a difficult choice. Gault-Millau would prefer the Hotel Radio at Chamalières, on the city fringe, which it marks two points higher. I have not eaten there. Jean-Yves Bath's specialities seem to me touched with genius: salmon with bacon fat and truffles, and intense chocolatey desserts.

CAP FERRAT: Le Provençal, 2 avenue D.-Semeria, St-Jean-Cap-Ferrat, 06230 (93 76 03 97)

have not eaten here, but I knew Jean-Jacques Jouteux's cooking years ago at Les Semailles in Montmartre, and know he belongs in my list. Try his lobster with artichoke bottoms. John Dory roasted with olive oil in fig leaves, or duck with tarte fine of potatoes and see whether I am right.

ANNECY: Auberge de l'Eridan, 13 Vieille Route des Pensières, Veyrier-du-Lac, Annecy, 74290 (50 66 24 00) Installed in a new hotel right on Lake Annecy. Marc Veyrat gets my vote for this region in preference to the longer established Auberge du Père Bise at Talloires. Wonderful pasta-less raviolis made from vegetables sliced into paper-thin sheets, beef with mountain herbs and salads with fresh flowers in them.

LE LAVANDOU: Les Roches. l avenue des Trois Dauphins. Aiguebelle, 83980 (94 71 05 07)

Laurent Tarridec, a young Breton. has taken the Var coast by storm with his sardines with aromatic herbs and sweet pepper purée, cold roast rabbit with aubergine and langoustines with coriander.

VERSAULLES: Les Trois Marchés. I boulevard de la Reine. Versailles, 78000 (39 50 13 21) In the restaurant of the Trianon Palace hotel. Gérard Vié does startlingly simple things exquiritely. Super salads with no fewer than 17 herbs, brilliant vegetable cookery and astonishing pastries.



Magical menus: Marc Veyrat, installed in a new hotel on Lake Annecy, creates wonderful pasta-less raviolis from sliced vegetables

LANDES: Pain, Adour et Fantaisie, 7 place des Tilleuls, Grenade-sur-l'Adour.

40270 (58 45 18 80) Didier Oudil worked for years with Michel Guerard. Changing his menus every ten days, he does not rest on the laurels he has already won for his terrine of calf tongue and potato, and goose-filled cannelloni and sweetcorn fritters.

GASCONY: Hôtel de France, 2 place de la Libération, Auch, 32000 (62 05 00 44)

André Daguin is the supreme chef of Gascony, and king of fole gras, but try also blanquette of kid, leg of Pyrénée lamb, and kebabs of salmon with ceps and gizzards.

AT HOME

thin on the ground and used

only in extremis, and at great

This does not mean there is

no need to bother and if you

are in any doubt as to the state

of a house call in a géomètre (surveyor). But if, as I was, you

are buying an old rural house

with walls 2ft thick that has

been standing for 200 years,

expense

LOIRET: Auberge des

Templiers, Les Bézards, 45290 (38 31 80 01) Denis Cros, the chef, was recruited after working with Guerard, Robuchon and Girardet, and sandre from the Loire, rabbits of the Solonge and lamb of Sisteron are among the ingredients with which he works wonders.

TOULOUSE: Les Jardins de l'Opéra, 1 place Capitole, Toulouse, 31000 (61 23 07 76) in the restaurant of the Grand Hôtel de l'Opéra Dominique Toulouse hits top C every time with, for instance, salads of arti-

chokes and cockies, and veal chop

on a ragout of green vegetables.

ROUEN: Gill, 9 quai Bourse, Rouen, 76000 (35 71 16 14)

Gilles Tournadre, a graduate of Lucas-Carton and Taillevent, is one of the brightest of the young generation of French chefs. His fish consomme, turbot with cider and chutney and sweetbreads with pig's case. are delicate and delicious.

BIARRITZ: Les Frères first customers when this delightful-pavilion 9km from Biarritz opened four years ago to instant success: Philippe does the fish and means.

Martin the pastries and their menus at fr200 are ravishing.

LA ROCHELLE: Richard Contanceau, piage de la Concurrence, La Rochelle, 17000 (46 41 48 19)

Do not be deterred by the crowded bistro appearance of the diningroom overlooking the sea. The syster feuilleté, seafood dishes and crème brûlee are delectable.

.LANGUEDOC-

In a renovated canalside hotel, Nicolas Albano delights guests with scallop salads, langoustines in ecitric juices, and medallions of lamb with savory. The lunch menu is only FFr140.

Passport to France Times/WineShare competition: win part of a French vineyard

Name your own vintage

THIS is the third day of your chance to become a vigneron and drink the wines from your vineyard until the vintage of 2002. The Times, in association with WineShare, is giving readers the chance to own 150 vines for ten years at the Domaine du Grand Mayne, in the Côtes de Duras Appellation Contrôlée district of France. These vines will produce up to 30 cases of wine

every year.
This quality wine-producing area borders on the Bordeaux Appellation and its wines are made from classic Bordeaux varieties - cabernet sauvignon, cabernet franc and merlot: sauvignon blanc, semilion and muscadelle.

Your first year's produce, the 1902 vintage, will be picked this autumn. The wine will be made and shipped to you, free, next spring by WineShare. You will receive 30 cases (360 bottles) of wine - red, white or both according to your taste. The bottles will be labelled with your name.

As part of the prize, the winner and a parmer will visit the vineyard this autumn. flying to Bordeaux for a exhilarating long weekend in the French countryside. There you can help pick the grapes and eat and drink in style among the vats in the chai where your wine will be gently fermenting. The weekend will include visits to the surrounding vineyards of Duras and the Bordeaux area, with plenty of opportunities to try the local cuisine and, of course, the different wines.



Thirsty work: picking grapes in a French vineyard

Ten runners up will each receive a one year lease on a 50-vine row at Domaine du Grand Mayne and the produce from these vines - ten cases from the 1992 vintage, labelled and delivered free to your home by WineShare. How to enter: answer the question below and keep a note of your answer. Question four, will appear tomorrow the first of the four appeared in Saturday's Weekend Times). Having answered all four questions, send your answers on a postcard with your name, address and daytime

telephone number to: The Times/WineShare Competi-

London, EC88 6NG.

are they made from?

QUESTION 3 Some Duras wines are matured in wooden casks called

barriques. What sort of wood

5 Brittons Court.

• Rules: The competition is open to all UK residents aged 18 and over. Employees of Times Newspapers Ltd. Wine-Share, their families or agents are not eligible. Entries must be received by Monday July

20, 1992, Winners will be notified by Friday July 24, 1992. The editor's decision is final Times competition rules apply, available on request.

Fruit of the vine

TineShare began in dreds of British investors joined forces to share in vineyard. Domaine du Grand Mayne, in the appellation contrôlée area of Côtes de

WineShare's aim is to produce quality wine at an affordable price and to give investors the fun and involvement of owning their own row of vines and sharing in the produce of a French Domaine.

WineShare will launch a second vineyard, Chateau Constantin-Chevalier at Lourmarin in the Côtes du Luberon, in Provence, next year. To reserve a row at either vineyard you must decide how much wine from your own vines you would order each year. 150 vines will produce 30 cases of wine. The rental cost on 150 vines

perfect condition or, converseis £150 a year plus VAT. If 30 ly, failing down in your lifecases of wine a year is too ume are slim. much for you, a row of 50 The best middle course bevines will produce ten cases for tween a surveyor and your an annual rent of £50 plus own (rose-tinted) assessment is VAT. All you pay for after that to call in a local builder. is the cost of producing the preferably French, or an Engwine and the cost of shipping lish one who has been in it to you. Subscribers are kept France for several years. He up to date with a twice-yearly will be able to give a good idea bulletin. Other benefits inas to what is wrong with the clude a personalised label. house and how much urgency Readers of The Times who wish to subscribe to Wine-

there is in putting it right. And use your eyes. Damp is a frequent problem in old Share will receive a 10 per cent discount on the first year's houses because they lack a rental. For fuller information damp-proof course, but it need not be expensive. Except in the write to WineShare, 40 Longley Road, Tooting Graveney, London, SW17 9LL or call worst cases the solution may well be to coat walls with a 081 672 9967, quoting ref: sealer before painting them. The Times. This offer is valid Equally, cracks in walls may until December 31, 1992. look alarming but remember



that horizontal ones are not usually serious. Vertical cracks could mean subsidence but a vertical crack that only shows internally may mean only poor plastering or a badly fitted window nearby. When the cost of improving

an old French house gets out of hand, the whole exercise can turn sour, so be clear from the start which problems you can live with and which you want solved at what cost. Assume that renovating a house that consists only of four walls and a dodgy roof will be at least as much as you paid for the house.

 The Times is available in most major towns in France, but you can order a copy which will usually arrive a day after publication.

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nasty shocks involve the roof and electrical circuits. I said last week that often roof leaks can be solved by re-aligning a few slates but if the roof needs replacing you may have to spend more than £10,000 on a three bedroom house. Re-wiring the same house can cost £2,000 or more.

Those amounts are large (although no larger than they would be in the UK) for the same reason: replacing something invariably costs more than the same job started from scratch in a new house. There are the labour costs involved in tearing out the old material plus extras that arise when

Two of the main sources of

● On Fridays, The Times/LBC Last-minute

France Hotline is your guide to stop-press holiday, travel and rental bargains. On Thursday after 6pm on LBC NEWSTALK (97.3 FM) Angela Rippon in her Drivetime programme will preview the offers in Friday's paper. "

new problems are uncovered by the workmen. One often overlooked factor in re-wiring an old house that could well be found to have an unearthed circuit when you buy it is insurance. You may know an English electrician

who would welcome a fortnight's free holiday in exchange for re-wiring the house and he will doubtless do the job to the highest English standards. But France has very clear regulations about elec-tricity and they differ from ours. Unless the work meets French standards, you will not get insurance.

ometimes the more obvious flaws are the cheapest to put right. A room may not have a floor, for example, often because in the old days people sheltered animals in back rooms. But builders in France are now so used to this kind of work, especially for English people, that putting a floor in a room the size of an average lounge can cost as little as £200 and be done in two days.

One final warping: paint in France comes in two varieties. There is expensive paint that will stay on the walls and cheap paint that will fall off. The sert you want costs about 50 per cent more in France that it would here, so take a tew tins with you. That, and other DIY material, should not unduly exercise French customs as it qualifies for relief under EC regulations. But it is best to check with the customs section of the French embassy (071-833 0142).

PETER BARNARD

NEXT-WEEK: Paying for the house

Caring, sharing, scaring

Libby Purves considers stories of

sick infants and whether they do anything other than create anxiety

arly last year, eight-month-old Nella Beevor lay in intensive care, oxygen hood over her head, her tiny body lost in a network of tubes and electrodes:

Did that grab your attention? If you have a baby, the odds are that your eye went straight to that sentence at the expense of everything else on the page. The odds are also that you will read on, wanting to know whether Nella survived and whether there is any message for you. If you are away from your own baby, you may shortly ring home on some mock-casual pretext. The effect, in other words, will be disproportionate to the intrinsic interest, relevance or literary

merit of the story. 'People put it crudely. sick babies are boxdo want Nella does survive, and is today a to read strapping two-yearold. But although these the account of her

things'

Dark (John Murray, £9.95, published on July 16), is a high-class production, unsentimental and medically interesting, it nonetheless represents a genre which some nervous parents and grandparents may feel is getting out of hand. No women's weekly magazine or tabloid newspaper feels complete without its miracle beby, tragic freak accident or heartbreak tot; no consumer programme likes to be without a new deathdealing hazard to infants, whether it be a pearut or a pit

Illness by her moth-

er. Artemis Cooper,

in Watching in the

Crime and accident reports focus on the misfortunes of children because every parent will be drawn to them; filmmakers cynically raise the emotional temperature of their offerings by lingering on children captured, orphaned, home alone or grappling with psychopathic nannies. Television crews poke their lenses eagerly at the plastic cots of 21b scraps of

humanity. ingly using the image of a child in peril to add tension to their books. The American thriller writer Mary Higgins Clark has made a creepy speciality of it down at the airport-bookstall end of the market, but even Melvyn. Bragg, that most adult of literary novelists, begins his latest, Crystal Rooms, with the image of Harry, aged 11, waking violently from a nightmare: "He wanted his mother to be near, but in the same split instant he knew that he would never see her again" We are compelled to read on, irrespective of pleasure, just to

find out if he gets saved from being a rent-boy (he does). Parents have always had fears. But this is an increasingly paranoid and fearful society. overdosed on sensational information. What is more, it is one where most young adults lose touch with real and robust ordinary children for years

nyone who thinks ado-lescent youths eat a lot

should try a couple of weeks with a fledgling black-

bird. The bird's name is

Hen/ry (sic) because at this age it is impossible to know what sex it is. We acquired it nearly

before they have any. So we are suckers for horror stories about children. Some are useful: a mother with a secret mental picture of her waxenfaced child on a drip with gastro-emeritis will sterilise bottles carefully. And every parent knows that the unemployable babysitter is the one who lacks a morbid imagination: you can tell a reliable one because she or he will look around a room for danger almost before looking at the child. One couple I know used deliberately to plant a plastic hat or a sharp stick in the toddler's empty bedroom, and expected new sitters to pounce instinctively on the dangerous

So we become greedy readers of public health warnings, consumer shock-horror stories and reports of learn to mistrust aspirins, strawberries (allergy), ponds in drought (Weil's disease) and fluff (killer house mites). We read every crime

that the bereaved parents were letting the child do something that we wouldn't have. Al these things, kept in proportion (harder than it sounds), are unexceptionable and more or less useful.

But then comes the next stage. In order to face up to our worst fears and outstare them, we lap up the genre of stories known in women's magazines as TOT - triumph over tragedy. Miracle babies who survived, heartbreak ones who didn't, Some of this genre of writing is attached, more or less firmly, to medical interest and charitable appeals. There is no doubt that Anthony Notan's short life contributed to bone marrow surgery, and Doran Scotson's story to the rehabilitation of handicapped children. But not all of it does any such thing. A lot is pure

Jane Reed, who as editor of Voman and Woman's Own in the 1970s was responsible for many a medical shocker, dedy genre as both popular and inspiring. The best story is the human interest story. Always was, always will be Reading about a family's courage gave other people sustenance." But she detects a definite change in recent years. What perturbs me inthe bestselling weeklies is that the pieces are so much shorter. We did very long accounts, with doctors and psychologists and medical facts in a box at the side. We put things into context. Now it's more sharply

accented.

report in the hope

Looking through a random sheaf of the weeklies, it is easy to see what she means. A short "Personal Story" page in Best, about a boy with head injuries from a bike accident, is readable, identifiable with, but gives no medical insight or help and only a sketch of the

psychological effect.
In Bella, we have a "special girt" of four weeks old whose



birthmarks swelled up and nearly choked her. Again, it is exiguous and filled with cliche. in Chat, a teenage cancer. As parent, one compulsively reads them: as a reader, one feels exploited by a kind of casual, knee jerk ghoulishness in the editorial process.

they're not shock horror. This has to lie next to the strawberry shortcake. What people actually want is the triumph of the

But nothing to put them off the shortcake.

nd so to the triumph of Nella and her mother. The baby suffered intussusception of the bowel - a not uncommon complication righted by surgery — but fell prey to a violent infection which destroyed the villi in her gut. She was saved by an experimental remedy, epidermal growth factor. Ms Cooper was not previously a reader of TOT stories. "Oh Lord, no. When she was born I used to read about cot death with a certain morbid curiousity. You scan it for some clue as to how to stop it. But I didn't really give disease a thought. Her normal subjects are far

from the infant world: historical portraits like her book Cairo in the War, so the story of how Nella's struggle got into print says much about the market's demand for TOT. A friend, the deputy editor of Harners & Ouesn; asked her in write about it. The article by a BBC producer who had a baby the same age. Gripped, she invited Ms Cooper to tell her story again. Whereon enquiries followed about adapting the story for television, and finally an approach from a

"So I wrote it. Yes, I did have doubts. But it was a story with a double happy ending, personal and medical. I was careful not to twang heartstrings too much - after all. Nella's going to read this book one day. But I don't mind her knowing, for instance, that we asked the doctors not to keep her alive in pain unnecessarily." Ms Cooper admits man she wrote the original draft Ms Cooper admits that rather baldly, and was urged to put more of her feelings into it by her editor. "I mean, it was glaringly obvious to me how you'd feel if your child was blown up and purple and surrounded by tubes. I was rather British and embar-

wild applause, and escaped its first predator. Now it spends most of its time outdoors.

returning for supplementary

snacks and the occasional

snooze on a shelf. There has been one dreadful incident when our neighbour found tailfeathers on his lawn at dusk

and a cat skulking in the

shrubbery. We passed a fretful

night imagining the worst but Hen/ry reappeared, minus half a tail but plus, we hope, a

The experience has been a

curious telescoping of the years of human parenting from the early days of dawn feeds,

constant checks and earnest

discussions on bowel move-

ment, through the first clumsy

flights and attempts to feed, to

its current adolescence, where

we worry about the company it

is keeping and whether it can

Most hand-reared birds do not survive, according to Val-erie Osborne, an enquiry of-ficer with the RSPB, which

recommends, wherever possible, leaving them in a safe

place where the parents can

look after them. "But if the

bird does not survive we always say to people: 'Please understand, it was almost

certainly not your fault. And

you gave it extra time that it

■ RSPB enquiry office: phone 0767 680551.

would not have had

fend for itself.

otherwise."

bit of street wisdom.

are on your side from the start." So the very subject is a short cut to success? "I suppose it is. But believe me, it's a oneoff I am now working on Paris after the liberation.

and the soap hospital dramas, and the film-makers and cer-

rassed about expressing it. But

people do want to read these

things. And readers, parents,

return to the ordinary robust world where the worst thing that happens to most children is that they grow up. They are hooked on the eternally fascinating, eternally profitable buzz of surrogate terror and compassion. It is up to the rest far under our thin, quiveringly

tain novelists, there is no

New bugs start here

of a hundred when parents say to their children. I know how you feel. they are lying. I was young once, I can remember, we tell them. We cannot. Time has demoted the memory and we belittle their experience.

The rawness of rejection when you have not been invited to the party everyone else is frocking up for the anxiety of setting off for a Monday morning spelling test when you lost the list of words last Friday. None of it feels to have mattered to us then, as it matters to them now.

In our family, the hundredth time is up. I really do know how my son feels. By a quirk of synchronicity, he will be starting at a new school in September, the day after 1 begin a new job. This week we have both been visiting our new premises acquainting ourselves with our future colleagues and meeting our masters. Exhilarating, terrifying stuff for us both.

I feel he is the luckier, he has been able to take his Mummy and Daddy with him. As a family, we have just completed our fourth guided tour of the school. We have inspected the gym, admired the displayed artwork and thrilled at the pickled reptiles in the lab.

We were then invited to view the full uniform - resplen dently arranged and looking as it would never look again when owned by an 11-yearold boy. My son gulped hard. trendy tracksuit or duvet-comfy anorak.

During the past weeks, I have wondered, riffling through my outmoded mother-and-working-hack's wardrobe before meeting my new colleagues, what garb was suitable for each occasion. Does anyone still wear powershouldered suits for a board meeting? Would flat shoes be round town office-shopping for new premises? If only my new employers had supplied a similarly specific uniform list.

Then came the highlight of the evening: boys' question time. Parents had already had their chance to quiz the staff about numbers of computers and university places, class sizes and the cost of hiring a cello. This session was strictly the hall with a mobile microphone so that next year's boys



DAVINA LLOYD

could ask a panel of last year's new boys what they really wanted to know.

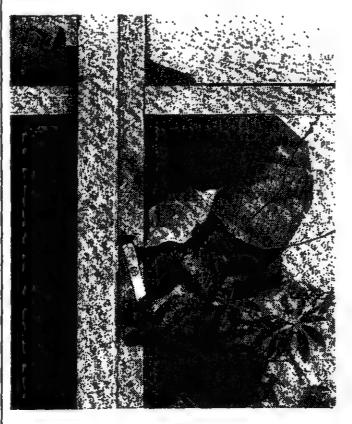
How many cricket teams do you have? What are the dinners like? Is there a lot of homework? Are there any funny books in the library? What kind of punishments do they give you? What are the advantages and disadvantages of not having girls in the school?

The schoolboy panel fielded the queries like professionals, a year away from being new bugs themselves. Three cricket teams, we were told. School dinners were "pretty good". Homework was set only in manageable proportions and all subjects humorous and otherwise could be accessed by Dewey classification.

obody seemed to have much personal experience of punishment, but it was thought to range from writing lines to coming in on Saturday morning for niajor misdemeanours. On the subject of single-sex education, one lad could not imagine any disadvantages. But his friend added meaningfully, "apart from the obvious ones" The new boys nodded in silent understanding. If they didn't know the obvious, they weren't

Such sensible initiation. Why hadn't I put such practical posers to my new coileagues? Had I thought to ask. as I left with five fat files of background reading, is there much homework? Did I think to mention on an office-hunting day that ended with a cheddar sandwich at 4.30. what are the dinners like? I suppose I will just have to believe what I tell my son. The blazer won't always be so stiff. friends. Honestly, you'll love it

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three weeks ago. . We are not, it seems, alone. The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds receives 3,500 calls a year on bringing up baby birds and even takes on an extra enquiry officer during the peak period of April to July. Blackbirds and

> monly found, mainly because a pair can have three or four broods a year. We found ours on the lawn after hearing its parents screaming at next door's cat. We stuck an old blackbird's nest up in a tree - its own was out of reach — and spent the day watching its parents fly back and forth past it. They

sparrows are the most com-

made no attempt to feed it so, using tiny tweezers, we offered it a worm, it wolfed it. The bird made repeated attempts to fly, but only plopped to the ground. At nightfall we took it indoors. expecting it to die and preparing the kids for the worst. At

The RSPB answered all the urgent questions and sent us detailed leaflets. We became entirely in thrall to the bird and its eating habits, unable to go into the kitchen without being cheeped at reproachfulSome youngsters seem never to want to leave the family nest

When baby has feathers



A bird in the hand: Anna taking care of young Hen/ry

ly. Respite is gained only by going out - and then we have

to hire bird-sitters. For a family whose idea of gardening is to cut back the convolvitus only when it threatens to strangle the children, we have done a vast amount of digging. Sevenyear-old Anna, who until now has been thinking of turning vegetarian, is not even daunted by the fact that the bigger worms have to be chopped up,

nobody has asked for spaghet-

Hen/ry is now completely

It caught its first worm, to

tame. We did not intend this, but perhaps it was inevitable when we have been collectively its caterer, nursemaid and landlady. Every day we put it on the wall or the bird table to get used to the environment to which we hope it will return, and every day it can do a little more. It can fly, preen, drink and bathe.

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top management revolu-A tion has started in the public sector, particularly in local government and the NHS. The traditional administrators at the top of health authorities and councils are being turned into corporate chief executives, who need a quite different mix of skills and attitudes.

The head of a local authority now has a function much closer to that of a corporate chief executive than to his (or, still very rarely, her) antecedent, the town clerk. As well as overseeing the interface between politics and management within the authority, he is the officer best placed to perform strategic planning functions, which have now been thrown into prominence by the imminence of the Local Government Review, to convert policies into action and, in this: new era of charters and organisational transparency, to assess the authority's performance

against targets. This new role makes heavy demands on his personal resources: he is now more explicitly required to exercise leadership qualities, and may need to acquire more skills in resource manage-

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Pride without the prejudice

ment, strategic planning and

negotiation.

The head of an NHS hospital, whose role has developed in the space of a decade from secretary, through general manager, to chief executive, runs a big business, with full control of his own budget but

without guaranteed income and with the added responsibility of attracting and retaining customers from among health authority pur-chasing agents and fund-holding family doctors. To enable him to cope in this new environment he will need expertise in marketing and promo-

tion, ability to generate enthusiasm and a sense of corporate identity within the organisation, and an emphasis on balancing the books, which under the old "centrally planned economy" was nev-

Seen in isolation, these changes may appear relatively insignifi-cant, and may initially affect the training needs of only one or two individuals. Viewed as a whole. Howard Davies, the director general of the CBI, says a staff college will produce a new generation of high-calibre public sector managers

they constitut a revolution leaving few parts of the public sector

Many public sector organisations are certainly looking more like businesses than ever. Where will all these new skills and dynamic managers come from? Some think the logical next step is to recruit private sector managers, who know how to succeed in a competitive environment.

However, we should not get so carried away by these new developments that we lose sight of those aspects of public sector manage ment that are not necessarily in the business executive's psyche, including the "public servant" ethos the awareness of democratic accountability for one's actions, and the acute consciousness that one is handling money levied by compul-sory taxation. Wastefulness is not



Davies: new skills are needed

only bad management it is also theft from the taxpayer.

There should, and probably will, be more movement of personnel between the two sectors in the next few years. This two-way traffic, however, must not be our only means of importing innovation.

There is inadequate training for senior managers within public services. At present, it is compartmentalised. For example, the civil service and the police service each operates its own top management However, the dividing line be-

tween central government civil servants. NHS managers and local authority officials is now much less clear than previously, for a variety of reasons. For one thing, many civil servants have been displaced outside London and put into agencies that concentrate on service delivery, just like local authorities. Since the Bains report into local government efficiency, councils have also gone some way towards developing a cadre of general managers who look and act more like civil servants. And closer operational links between

have grown up in many service areas - social services, education, and even the police.

All these developments strength-en the case for creating and exploiting a national source of officials competent to operate across the public sector. This would have the advantage of removing the "them and us" division and the notion that local government officials, or people involved in direct service delivery, are a lower class of person.

This would also increase central government's understanding of conditions on the ground, reducing the likelihood of mishaps such as the poll tax. It would upen up the possibility of rotating excellent people through different parts of the public sector and would provide a great boost to management in local government.

This would not necessarily be inconsistent with local authorities' right to appoint their own people. There would, however, be a richer

pool from which to choose, and civil servants wanting to switch would not have to leave for ever, as is now the case.

By far the best way to produce such a body of people is to begin at the training and recruitment end. At the moment, grubby folk from the provinces are admitted to the Civil Service College only at the top management programme level, by which time they are clearly set on particular career paths, and regard each other as different animals.

I believe there should be a more broadly based staff college, cutting across these compartments and producing a cadre of high-calibre public sector managers with the skills to adapt to reform. This college would provide a common core of training for all public servants, with adaptable modules specifically for trainees in the civil service, the NHS and local govern-

In this way, the public sector could free itself of the inferiority complex that now prompts individuals, inside and outside, to assume that efficient management is a private sector phenomenon. • The author is former controller of the

The Citizen's Charter raises many important questions about local democracy and effective management. Edward Fennell reports

be slow in drawing up their

local charters, or frame them

One authority that has been

quick to make specific commit-

ments - and professes itself

keen to be judged publicly by

what it achieves - is Cam-

bridgeshire County Council.

As the prime minister's own

local authority. Cambridge-

shire achieved the distinction

of being the first county coun-

cil to have gone public on the

charter, engaging John Major

himself to launch it at Hun-

tingdon in February this year.

wider choice and greater openss. But the key to its lone term success lies in persuading the electorate that the charter

will be a useful tool by which to measure and raise standards

In the run-up to publishing

researched the kind of stan-

council spokesman. "From

that research, we were able to

analyse 'best practice', and we

have adopted that best practice

for the county council as a

By opting for the best rather

than the mediocre, the council recognises that it may have handed a hostage to fortune.

Many departments may be

hard pressed to achieve the

Cambridgeshire's charter

in platitudes.



Charter architect: John Major must depend on others to turn his rhetoric into reality

You judge us that the Citizen's Charter has real substance is high on the list of government priorities. But John Major, as the archisays council tect of the charter concept. finds himself largely dependent on other organisations to turn the rhetoric into reality. There remains a distinct danger that local councils and other public bodies will either

new standards that have been set for them.

"It is only by adopting standards that some departments may be unable to reach. at least initially, that we can be confident that we will raise Mr Pearson standards."

Virtually every department and service in Cambridgeshire now has its own statements of what it is trying to achieve, and the measures by which it can be judged. For example, in the library service, there is a commitment to stock "the widest appropriate range of

fiction and non-fiction titles for loan, with 50 per cent of books under five years old . . . Eighty per cent of materials will be supplied within four working weeks."

Meanwhile, in social services, there is a promise to acknowledge questions of complaints within five working days, and to give a reply to simple problems within two weeks. So as well as telling the public what it aims to do. the council has been precise in defining how efficiently it should do it.

To make these standards

stick, a monitoring system needs to be established. Cambridgeshire claims to have devised an effective method that will not overload staff with yet more paperwork.

"As a management tool, the information we collect on levels of performance is vital," Mr Pearson says. "Of course, it will take time and effort, but it is essential that we do so."

The first information to be publicly available on the extent to which standards are being met will be available in about six months' time, and reports on individual departments

will then be produced on an annual basis. "There is sup-port for the standards from all political parties locally, not least because the opposition groups see that the charter's standards can provide a potenrial stick with which to beat the ruling group," he says. "So when the results are pub-lished, they will be looked at with great interest by all."

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At this stage, it is hard to services will emerge from the first review. As the authority admits, it is on a "steep learning curve", and nobody can yet judge whether the standards are too stringent or too slack.

The danger is that if performance severely undershoots the targets, the authority may decide to lower the targets on the grounds that this is justified by a lack of resources. Unless the charter cranks up management, its purpose will

Now the twain really meet

Public service and private employment were once seen as mutually exclusive options, but they need each other's skills, states a report by SRU Ltd. commis-sioned by Saxton Barnfylde International, an executive search company. Saxton Bamfylde is often asked to recommend suitable candidates willing to transfer, but finds a problem with the misconceptions that each side has

about the other. The research was based on interviews with senior managers, from the public and private sectors. Both "sides". they found, tended to misunderstand and so misjudge the priorities, objectives, processes and cultures on the other side of the divide. It was not a misrepresentation to describe the public sector view of the private as venal and vulgar, and the private sector's opinion of the public as inefficient.

The purpose of the public sector was considered to be the development and implementation of policy - the public good - while that of the private was variously described as "achieving a superior return on capital invested, increasing shareholder value and making

the bottom line look better". The demand in future, Saxton Barnfylde concludes. will be for managers able to transfer their skills between radically different environments, so this gulf of misunderstanding must be bridged. With the introduction, from 1988 onwards, of its Next Step agencies to deliver better-quality central government services with the establishment of freestanding agencies, the civil service faces change, as do

Switching between business and the civil service is becoming easier for executives

commercial organisations, and each side can benefit from

cross-fertilisation. Sue Street and Jim Barron have crossed over, the one from the Home Office and the Cabinet Office to Price Waterhouse, the other from banking and insurance to the Cabinet Office.

Mrs Street is now the supervising consultant in Price Waterhouse's public management consultancy division. Formerly an assistant secretary (grade 5) in the Cabinet Office, she was the course director for the Top Management Prog-ramme, which brings together

top managers from the public success is very much in your and private sectors. "It was thought important a more dramatic time scale." for senior civil servants to understand how top managers in the private sector ran their businesses," she says. There was an unioreseen benefit. The private sector

found that the dispassionate

analysis that civil servants

exercise could prove useful to business." Originally attracted to the public sector because of a real interest in politics and the ethic of public service, Mrs Street says she was also a classic victim of prejudice against industry and com-

"My expectations were

largely fulfilled in the civil service," she explains. "I had plenty of high-profile, polititually demanding work, but because of the size, nature and

equity by which the organis-ation rules, it cannot allow

people to do as much as they

feel capable of, as early as they would like." Why did she leave? "I certainly was not disaffected by my career but my person-ality is fairly open to risk and new challenges. The top management programme opened my eyes to

ment that is avail-

able in the private

sector, where your

Swapping sides:

own hands and results are on Some of her preconceptions about the private sector had been wrong, some right. She had expected and found a hard-driving "can do" mentality; a commitment to profitability (but had not realised how great that was). She had expected to find a less hierarchical structure. She knew the systems would be efficient but was stunned by the degree of detail required. In addition, she had not expected so great a concern to cut overheads and

spite stretched administrative Mr Barron also wanted a

achieve high-quality work de-

change. What particularly appealed to him about the civil service was the breadth of challenge and flexibility he could expect. With Sun Alliance, he worked on management development training and management systems, and was involved with a fundamental rethink of business methods.

In the Cabinet Office, to which he was recruited as a principal (grade 7), his first job was concerned particularly with management development and training. He then moved to the European staffing unit, encouraging more graduates to work for the European Community. Now in the Citizen's Charter Unit, he is one of a team working to improve public services.

One misconception was that there would not be enough work. "I have never worked harder in my life," he says, "The greatest shock was to find out how much change had to be achieved by paperwork. I have also had to learn Civil Service 'speak'."

Mr Barron was also concerned that the process of change might be drawn-out and in ways, it has. "Many practices had been around for a long time and, because they had always done things in a particular way, people were slow to ask why," he says. Mrs Street and Mr Barron

have not burnt their boats. Asked whether they would ever switch back to their original sector, both were ready to consider any interesting job with career prospects.

JOAN LLEWELYN

Assistant Director Project Development

The National Museum of Science & Industry is the world's pre-eminent museum devoted to the history and contemporary practice of science, technology, industry and medicine. It serves approximately 3 million people annually and its collections are the most significant and comprehensive in their field anywhere.

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Still expressing too much trivia

The Sunday Express shrinks to tabloid at last — but the content is little changed

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Tabloid — Page 1 of the

revamped Sunday Express

ifteen years after its daily stablemate, the Sunday Express finally acknowleged the need for change at the weekend and became a tabloid.

It seems incredible that the owners delayed so long before taking this logical step away from the broadsheet format, watching a gradual decline of readership and allowing the rival Mail on Sunday to overtake it and to build a two million circulation.

That dithering struck home more forcibly once one saw the new since the change was accomplished without any apparent alteration to the Sunday Express's character. True, there was

a different type-face, Nova, but it was hardly a revolutionary departure. In newspaper design terms it looked "clean" while retaining its "busy" At 96 pages.

plus a colour magazine, the newspaper does now offer direct competition to The Mail on Sunday, though I hardly imagine its editor losing much

sleep.
The Sunday Express front page was largely devoted to the continuing obsession with the Princess of Wales's health and the state of her marriage. So important was the "scoop" that a "world exclusive" on yet another newspaper craze of the moment, Adolf Hitler, was relegated to second place. That story claimed that Russian secret serviceman, acting on Stalin's direct orders, buried Hitler's body in Magdeburg.

Elsewhere, there was some of the normal Sunday Express fare we have come to expect since Eve Pollard became editor more than a year ago - a fashion spread on Norma Major, lots of entertainment and yet more royal revelations, this time involving the Princess Royal.

One of the key selling points was

a money-off offer for classical compact discs and a contest to win

The relentless glamour and frothiness are the main differences from the Mail on Sunday. The serious content in the Sunday Express looks as if it is window dressing, rather than an integral part of the paper.
In a tabloid, achieving this kind

of balance, or pace, is very difficult and it will undoubtedly need some consideration in succeeding weeks. After all, the success of the Mail on Sunday has been built on its image of being a serious tabloid. providing its readers with social

campaigns and hard-edged investigations, along with a Review section where entertainment and the arts are treated without pomposity but never fall into the trap of fawning.

The Sunday Express - using the slogan "Britain's only quality Sunday tabloid" - does not yet seem to have worked out a philosophy deserving of that claim. It falls much clos-

er to the mass market tabloids where "interviews" and titillation. such as the front page blurb for an article, "In bed with Catherine Zeta-Jones", suffice. It will not dent the Mail on Sunday in the long term if it relies on being too trivial.

The other weakness is the colour magazine. The Mail on Sunday's You is better in terms of quality. quantity and content. But since Ms Pollard used to edit You, doubtless she has a re-vamp in mind for the magazine, which also needs extra money because it contains too little content to add substantial value to

With a circulation of 1.6 million. the boardroom of Express Newspapers must be wondering why they gave the Mail on Sunday such an advantage and did not make the transformation years ago.



They've come a long way: Reg Smythe, 75 this week, says of an early Andy Capp strip: "Good God! It seems horrible now!"

Reg who? Joseph Connolly tracks down the man who gave the world Andy Capp

Many happy consistently successful cartoonists this week celebrates his 75th birthday, but there will be no in-depth profiles, no talking back to Clive Anderson, no shenanigans at all, simply because to most people outside his profession the name Reg Smythe means nothing. Nothing, that is, until mention is made or less the way Mr Smythe wants it: of his enduring creation: Andy Capp, the literate and economically

drawn strip which has appeared in the Daily Mirror for 35 years. Nor is the popularity of the drunken little pigeon-fancying idler confined to this country as one might expect, given the peculiarly British nature of the comedy (and dated working-class northern British at that). The strip is syndicated to more than 1,400 newspapers world-wide, including nearly 1,000 in America. In Europe Capp revels in such monickers as Tuffa Viktor (Sweden) as well as the more literal André Chapeau in France and Angelo Capello in Italy. Germany knows him as Willi Wakker. The only other strip cartoonists to enjoy such coverage are Charles Schulz

(Peanuts) and Jim Davis (Garfield): Andy Capp, then, has generated an enormous amount of money, ROY GREENSLADE | but not the commensurate fame for his creator. These days, this is more

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many years ago he gave up on London and returned to his native Harrlepool, where he lives modestly with his wife, Vera. He says he has no hobbies apart from drawing Andy Capp, but other sources reveal that he keeps pigeons, is a crack snooker player and admires James Cagney. Here, mercifully,

the similarities to Andy end. The contrast between today's rather private lifestyle and the ambition of Mr Smythe's younger days is well illustrated by the reaction of the secretary of the Cartoonists' Club of Great Britain, Charles Sinclair, when I asked him for background information. Sinclair had none, suggested that Mr Smythe had become more or less a recluse — a largely unfounded rumour that has been circulating for years - and doubted whether he was even a member of the club. In fact, in 1960 Mr Smythe became a founder member of the

club: it prospered and soon instituted an annual awards ceremony. Andy Capp winning the panel strip nequalled achievement.

ong before the glory years, however, Mr Smythe was working at the Post Office and dreaming of being a cartoonist. His first work sold in the early 1950s to the long-defunct magazine Everybody's for six guineas. "My gross earnings for the two cartoons came to more than I was making in a week at the GPO. That was all the incentive I needed," Mr Smythe says. "From that day onwards I not only worked at the Post Office, but I also drew 60' cartoons a week. I badly wanted to get into Punch because I couldn't stand being rejected by its editors. I sent them more than 6,000 cartoons before I had my one and only acceptance by them.

The less than successful stage

and television versions of Andy Capp seem to have convinced Mr Smythe that his place is on the printed page, although spin-off merchandising has belatedly be-gun (banned by Hugh Cudlipp during his days at the Mirror) and now Andy appears on watches, T-shirts and aprons as well as beer cans, bottle openers and tankards.

His appearance has altered a good deal over the years — a fuller stomach, pointier head — and so have his habits. Andy, unlike Mr Smythe, no longer smokes: the inch-long but has vanished from

the lower lip.
John Allard, Mr Smythe's longtime friend and editor at the Mirror, who at any time has on hand well over a year's supply of strips, also comments on the modified attitude to women, and Mr Smythe concurs: here was a deliberate decision, although Andy Capp has never been a specific target for feminist wrath. "I remember one early strip. Good God! It seems horrible now!" Mr Smythe says. "Florrie was lying on the floor after Andy had obviously thumped her, and he was saying, 'Look at it this way, pet. I'm a man of very few pleasures and this is one of them'. Can you imagine a time when you could actually get away with an idea like that?"

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A THRILLER about the drug dealers of black London, Yardie, by Victor Headley, is No. 1 on the City Limits alternative best-seller list. The first title produced by X Press, the book was printed for £1,500 by three young men with no publishing experience, Steve Pope, Dotum Adebayo and the author. The first run of 1,000 copies sold out, as did the second run of 4,000. The third run of 3,000 copies of the £5.95 paperback is about to reach the shops. The success amazed us."
Mr Pope says. "We've never had a review, just pieces in magazines.
Penguin has since approached the three, but has been refused.

"We'll keep going by ourselves," Mr Pope says. "I think we've sold the film rights." THE American Public Broadcasting Service network has transmit-ted a re-edited version of BBC-TV's drama, The Lost Language of Cranes, the story of a middle aged man who comes to terms with his own homosexuality after discovering his son is gay. In the US version, the actors who

appeared nude in Britain were

shown wearing boxer shorts.

And when Portrait of a Marriage, the story of Vita Sackville-West's relationship with Violet Trefusis, is shown in America this month, 34 minutes will have been cut from the four-hour film, including a scene in which Vita dresses



Portrait of a Marriage: cuts

as a man and climbs into bed with

Both PBS versions have an introduction by Alistair Cooke who says the relationship between Vita and Violet was more a "dangerous interlude" than a grand passion.

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Doctors. Australian medical drama series (r). (Ceefax) (s) (7423281) 11.50 Travel Show UK Mini Guides. What to do m Cromer, Norfolk (r) (2563259)

12.00 News, regional news and weather (5489910) 12.05 Summer Scene. Magazine series (8241026) 12.55 Regional News and veather (70241939)

1.00 One O'Clock News. (Ceefax) Weather (39129) 1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (5) (19340842)

1.50 Ever Thought of Sport? Where and how to learn to windsurf (99050129) 2.20 Anyone For Tennis? A look at the on and off-court activities of members of Muswell Hill United Reformed Church tennis club, north London (r). (Ceefax) (7904668)

3.00 Cricket: Live coverage of the final day's play in the third Test between England and Pakistan at Old Trafford (s) (6216)
4.00 Cartoon (5725194) 4.10 Pinocchio (r) (2038129) 4.35 The Really Wild Roadshow. A visit to Longleat Safari Park (r). (Ceefax) (s)

5.00 Newsround (9845262) 5.10 Activ-8. The last in the high-energy activities series. (Ceefax) (s) (8343823)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (121858). Northern treland: Inside

6.00 Six O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Anna Ford. (Ceefax) 6.30 Regional News Magazines (571). Northern Ireland: Neighbours

7.00 Noel's Addicts. The last in Noel Edmonds's series about people with obsessions. This week he meets a man addicted to baked beans and another on anything created by puppet master Gerry Anderson. (Ceefax) (s) (4939) 7.30 EastEnders. (Ceefax) (s) (755) 8.00 Just Good Friends. John Sullivan's romantic comedy series starting Paul Michelas and Jan Francis (s) (Coefax) (6597) Paul Nicholas and Jan Francis (r). (Ceefax) (6587)



Animal crackers: Simon King on nature watch (8.30pm)

8.30 Walk On the Wildside: Waste Not, Want Not.

 CHOICE: The personable Simon King opens a new wildlife series with a film that is by turns funny and disgusting and definitely not to be watched while trying to eat a television supper. The programme is about urine and excrement, and how animals put this natural waste to good use. At least it makes a change from sex and violence, the staples of so many natural history films. The first subjects of king's skilled and patient carnera are heldfares. Their way of stopping predatory ravens from attacking their young is to drop dung on them. Sometimes the raven's feathers are so badly soiled that it cannot take off. There is much more in similar vein, involving sea slugs, hippos and eider ducks. In a variation of the theme, the fulmar, a sea bird found on cliff faces, repels potential nest thieves with foul-smelling vomit. (Ceefax) (s) (2194)

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax) Regional news

9.30 Boys From the Bush. Comedy drama series starring Tim Healey as a west Londoner who runs a Melbourne detective agency with his Australian partner (Chris Haywood). (Ceefax) (366649)

10.28 International Dancing. The second of the week's visits to Bournemouth for the UK dance championships (415649)

10.55 More Than a Game. The series examining the state of modern-day sport concludes with an investigation into whether "sport for all" is a feasible proposition (580026). Northern Ireland: Still Standing 11.40-12.30 More Than a Game 11.45 Weather (348668). Ends at 11.50

2.15am BBC Select: Executive Business Club (846601). Ends at 3.15

BBC2

6.45 Open University: The Newtonians (7765303). Ends at 7.10 8.00 Breakfast News (9485378) 8.15 Westminster (3621007)

9.00 Cricket. Highlights of yesterday's fourth day's play in the third Test between England and Pakistan at Old Trafford (r) (76484)
9.30 Film: Tarzan and the Leopard Woman (1946, b/w) starring Johnny Weissmuller. The loin-clothed jungle hero does battle with a murdering tribe of "leopard men" led by a wicked high priestess. Directed by Kurt Neumann (3306620)

10.40 Northern Lights. A profile of Steve Nixon who edits a York freesheet during the day and in the evening scours the city's clubs photographing punks and their outrageous fashions (r) (9025910) 10.50 Cricket. Live coverage of the opening session of the final day's play in the third Test (s) (59949991)

1.05 in the Garden. The magic of mulching (23504674) 1.20 Melvin and Maureen's Music-a-Grams (r) (s) (23429939) 1.35 Cricket. Further coverage (s)

3.00 News and weather (4252281) followed by Westminste Live (7731991) 3.50 News, regional news and weather (1303910) 4.00 Cricket. Live coverage of the closing session (s) (571228) 6.30 Small Objects of Desire. In praise of the fish finger (r) (394823)

6.50 The Old Man of H y.

CHOKE: One of the television's most spectacular outside broadcasts took place 25 years ago when six climbers attempted to scale The Old Man of Hoy, a 450 foot high pinnade of soft

sandstone in Orkney. The eventual conquest of this awesome and inaccessible peak was a triumph not only for Joe Brown, Chris Bonington and their colleagues but for the cameramen who brought the excitement and danger of the climb into millions of brought the excitement and danger of the dimb into millions of living rooms. Quarter of a century on, and even in black and the white, the footage is still stunning. It is replayed tonight with the memories of those who took part. The programme was the idea of the former Olympic athlete Chris Brasher, who provided the commentary. He rightly says that the much of the attraction for the viewer was the knowledge that anything could go wrong (250571)

Disabled Lives: Altered States.

**CVIOUS: A threater server on disability course with a film about. ● CHOICE: A three-part series on disability opens with a film about

PC Philip Olds, who was shot and paralysed while on duty, was determined to walk again but after several abortive treatments sank into depression and committed suicide. His story has been extensively told on television before, notably in two films by Desmand Wilcox for The Visit series. The purpose of this re-telling is to ask whether the extensive media coverage of the case, which also involved a national newspaper paying for trips to the United States, helped to raise false hopes of a cure and may have contributed to Olds's death. A related point is whether Olds would have done better to accept his handicap and make the best of it, although it was obviously not in his nature to do so. This is a thoughtful contribution to a sensitive debate. (Ceefax) (693303) Colin's Sandwich. The first in a re-run of Paul Smith and Terry Kyan's six-part comedy starring Mel Smith, Louisa Rix and Nicholas



Boxing dever: Clive James looks at television (9.00pm)

9.00 The Best of Saturday Night Clive. Highlights from Clive James's last series. Includes a satellite interview with Imelda Marcos, studio guest Mel Brooks and William Shatner (r). (Ceefax) (516281)
9.50 Town Hailt People Power. The third in the series of fly-on-the-wall documentaries following the iriner workings of Lewisham Borough Council (postponed from last week). (Ceefax) (523007)
10.30 Newsnight with James Cox (555591)
11.15 Cricket. Highlights of the final day's play in the third Test between England and Pakistan at Old Trafford (s) (258736)
11.55 Weather (320262)
12.00 Open University: India — Space for Education (75822). Ends at

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2.00 BBC Select: The Way Ahead (70682). Ends at 3.00

1.00pm Supermont's Disugitor (1990): A tenager decides not to follow in her successia mother's footsteps (88113)
2.00 Come Next Spring (1956). A peritem alcoholic returns home (71465)
4.00 Mountain Family Robinson (1979): Wilderness adventure (3003)
6.00 Russides (as 10,000) (53200465)
8.00 Lean on Me (1989): Morgan Preeman stars as a rough New York bascher (69674)
10.00 Fast Getzway (1991): Marsial ars drama staring Cyntha Rothrock (30945)
11.30 Keathor's Cop (1990): A mavend: policeman babysis a mob witness (355197)

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thriller set in the art wond (1912-29) 4.05 Listen to Me (1989). Drama about a debaung team (709576). Ends at 5.55

Via the Astra and Marcopolo satallite
 6.15am Model for Murder (1958): Drame

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6.15am Model for Murder (1953): Drama about a jewel hest (854,3858)

7.35 Yechao-Police: Cartoon (5029007)

9.00 Banana Spiris in Hoous Pocus Park: Chidren's adventure (3418842)

10.15 Flesh and Fantasy (1943, bleit: A portmanteau of three strange tales (291484)

12.15pm Deadly Dream (1971): Soenist Lloyd Bridges is urged to abandon his controversal work. (643203)

2.15 Boomle Prince Charlie (1948). Staming David Niver (567939)

A15 Space Brebind (1948). Staming Cavidand period normance (547200)

6.15 Duel of Hearts (1990): Barbara Cartifand period normance (547200)

5.15 She-Devil (1989): Roseanne Arnold (formerly Ban) seeks revenge when husband

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

6.00 TV-am (3821755)

9.25 Your Number Please. Phone in quiz game show with cash prizes (s) (1613303) 9.55 Tharnes News (6676736) 10.00 Out of this World, American comedy series (r) (s) (6686113)

10.25 Wowser. Animation (6689200) 10.55 News (2037804) 11.00 Ox Tales. Animation (2047281) 11.25 Just For the Record. More record-breaking achievements (r) (9266823) 11.50 Tharnes News (5781026) 11.55 Cartoon Time (4288420) 12.10 Treasure Box. arly-learning series (r) (3864194)

12.30 Lunchtime News with Nicholas Owen and Sonia Ruseler. (Oracle) Weather (3057200) 1.05 Thames News (23404520)

1.15 Home and Away. Family drama serial. (Oracle) (948741) 1.45 A Country Practice. Medical drama (s) (398282)
2.15 The Full Treatment. Includes a report on the rise in cases of malaria among British holiday-makers and the link between holiday traffic and asthma (243133) 2.45 Families (s) (4111674)

3.10 TN News headlines (4343587) 3.15 Thames News headlines (4342858) 3.20 The Young Doctors. Drama serial (7656194)
3.50 Cartoon (6491945) 3.55 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends (1306007) 4.05 Disney's Duck Tales (r) (6303736) 4.30 Time Riders. Science fiction adventures (r). (Oracle) (194) 5.00 Cartoon The Moderators Time (9943858)

5.10 Blockbusters. Quiz game for teenagers (9168754)

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5.40 Early Evening News with John Suchet. (Oracle) Weather (205939) 5.55 Thames Help (r) (511378)
6.00 Home and Away (r). (Oracle) (587)
6.30 Thames News. (Oracle) (939)
7.00 Emmerdale. Soap set in the Yorkshire Dales. (Oracle) (9007)
7.30 Nature Watch: Not Your Average Greenie. Julian Petitier meets Mike Donaghue who is in charge of protecting New Zealand's marine mammals. (Oracle) (823) marine mammals. (Oracle) (823)
8.00 The Bill: Snakes and Ladders. It is confrontation time at Sun Hill

as PC Garfield returns for the first time since his injuries sustained during an incident in which Sgt Boyden failed to respond to his call for assistance. (Oracle) (8755) 8.30 World in Action: Private Grief. An investigation into what happens when private health treatment goes wrong (7252)



Food for thought: Whitelaw, Holmes and Jaffrey (9.00pm)

9.00 Firm Friends. The condusion of Lou Wakefield's drama about the private and business affairs of partners in a restaurant. Starring Billie Whitelaw, Madhur Jaffrey and Michelle Holmes. (Oracle) (s)

10,00 News at Ten with Alastair Stewart and Julia Somerville. (Oracle) Weather (57303) 10.30 Thames News (132649)

10.40 First Tuesday: Under Interrogation.

CHOICE: A film crew visits a police station in Birmingham to eavesdrop on a new initiative designed to restore public confidence in the force. The station was one of the first in Britain to videotape interviews with suspects. The initiative was designed to provide safeguards for the accused. No more Guildford Fours, no more Birmingham Sixes. That, at least, is the theory. The film suggests both that the system can work admirably and that it is far from foolproof. The camera may not lie but it can be switched off. While it is, there is nothing to stop a detective going into the cell and trying to set up a deal on the basis that "if you cough, I will put in a good word with the judge". None of this needs appear in conficial record. The video thus becomes on, a partial representation of reality, and perhaps a dangerously misleading

one. (Oracle) (317668)

11.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H. Women behind bars drama serial (514939)

12.30 Video View. The latest releases reviewed (50682)

1.30 The Equalizer. The concluding episode of a two-part story starring Edward Woodward as the ageing avenger, McCall (r) (54717)

2.30 Donahue. Phil Donahue chairs a discussion on claims that whites are smarter than blacks and that Asians are more intelligent than both (22682) 3.30 60 Minutes, American news magazine (34427) 4.30 Starstruck. A young woman wonders whether to risk a career in

showbusiness or to stick with one that is dull but safe (84446) 5.30 ITN Morning News with Phil Roman (25327). Ends at 6.00

6.00 Channel 4 Daily (3829397) 9.25 Elly and Jools. Comedy series about a schoolboy who make; 6 friends with a ghost (r) (1611945)

CHANNEL 4

9.55 The Henderson Kids. Australian family drama serial (r) (2713668) 10.20 Star Test. Craig Charles is grilled by the computer (r) (6688571) 10.50 Dancedaze. More energetic terpsichory from the Brixton Academy (r) (s) (3991842) 11.50 Weatherbeaten Melody. Rural cartoon from Germany

(1012769) 12.00 The Parliament Programme presented by Anne Perkins (54216) 12.30 Don't Quote Me. Panel game hosted by Geoffrey Perkins (r)

(98194)1.00 Sesame Street. Entertaining early-learning series (93649)
2.00 The Food File. How safe are the scientifically produced foods of

2.00 The Food File. How safe are the scentifically produced foods of the future? (f). (Teletext) (s) (66112649)
 2.25 Channel 4 Racing from Newmarket. Brough Scott introduces live coverage of the 2.35, 3.05, 3.35 and 4.10 races (37250194)
 4.30 Countdown. Another round of the words and numbers game presented by Richard Whiteley (736)
 5.00 Pushing the Limits Mountains of the Wind. A British expedition, led by Don Whilans, attempts the remote Patagonian peak of Torre Egger (f) (7723)
 5.30 Owl TV. Wildlife magazine introduced by Michaela Strachan and Debbie Redden. Today's edition includes a visit to the world's largest breeding colony of mute swans. (Teletext) (216)
 6.00 Desmond's. A repeat of the corredy series set in a Peckham barber's shop. Staming Norman Beaton (Teletext) (s) (129)
 6.30 Tour de France. Stage three, the 200km haul from Pau to Bordeaux (281)
 7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow and Zeinab Badawi. (Teletext)

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7.50 Comment (856533)
8.00 Borderlands. The fourth in the series of six programmes about Boroerands. The fourth in the series of six programmes about border regions of Europe follows the courses of the news Oder and Neisse that separate Germany and Poland. (Teletext) (5397)
 3.30 Views of Kew. A celebration of the Royal Botanic Gardens and their sister garden at Wakehurst Place in Sussex (r). (Teletext) (5804)
 9.00 Rear Windows: Bright Through the Tears — A Celebration of Irish Culture. Tario Ali introduces reactions from the The Field Day. Irish Culture. Tariq Ali introduces readings from the The Field Day

Anthology of Irish Writing (972303) 9.45 Short and Curlies: One Man's Meat. Sebastian Chee stars as a man caught between two cultures (r) (274736)



Hostile welcome: escaped convict Robert Redford (10.00pm)

10.00 Film: The Chase (1966) starring Robert Redford, Marion Brando and Jane Fonda. Powerful, atmospheric if overcooked drama about

and Jane Fonda. Powerful, atmospheric if overcooked drama about the violent reactions caused by the return of an escaped convict to his small Texas town. Directed by Arthur Penn. (Teletext) (948674) 12.30am Empty Nest. American comedy series (67750) 1.00 Cornelius Cardew. A profile of the British composer whose works tend to divide the critics (54408) 2.00 Clip Class. Romantic images set to music by Chopin (5351392) 2.05 Films: The Man Who Changed His Name (1934, bw) starring Lyn Harding and Betty Stockfield. A husband encourages his faithless spouse to believe he is a notorious wife-murderer. Directed by Henry Edwards (5926243). Ends at 3.30

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12.00 Stood Up: Teenage drama (39465) SKY SPORTS

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10.95 10 Riflington Place (1971) True story of senal luber John Christie (540910)
12.00 Ace High (1969): Spaghetti western starring Eli Wallach (35392)
2.00am Last Exit to Brooklyn (1989).
Drama set in the 1950s (390021)
4.65 Remarker (1973): Endocarallubated LIFESTYLE 3.45 Prophecy (1979): Ecologically-based monster film (1796069) Ends at 4.25

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e Via the Astra satellite 4.00pm Mr Ed (2397) 4.30 Punky Brewster 11281) 5.00 Green Acres (4216) 5.30 The New Leave it to Beaver (2593) 6.00 Mr Belvedere (5674) 6.30 Three's Company (3026) 7.00 Desgring Vibraire (1552) 7.30 McHale's Navy (2910) 8.00 4ee rou Being Served? (4200) 8.30 Night Court (5007) 9.00 Hogan's Heroes (30668) 9.30 Mr Selvedere (14642) 10.00 Firds in the Hall (33484) 10.30 McHale's Navy (69304)

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8.30 Stephen Pile Investigates:
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RADIO 3 6.55am Weather and News

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7.90 Morning Concert: Telemann
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Leppard, harpsichord); Handel
(Music for Royal Freworks:
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7.30 News
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Waltzes, Op 120: Scottish
National Orchestra under Neeme Járví): Schuber Neerne Järvit; Schubert (Ständchen, Zögermd, leise, D920: Sarah Walker, mezzo; male chorus; Graham Johnson, pianot; C.P.E. Bach (Symphony in F, Wq 183 No 3: Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment under Leonhardt; Lachner (Nonett: London Galmali Raes London Gabneli Brass Ensemble under Larkin); Faure (Suite, Pelléas et Mélisande: Suisse Romande Orchestra under Ansermet); Sarasate, arr Francescatti (Habañera: Itzhak Periman, violin, Samue Sanders, piano)

8.35 Composers of the Week; Weber, Marcia vivace for ten trumpets and timpani (The Wallace Collection); Clarinet Quintet in B flat (Jane Hilton; Lindsay Quartet); Symphony No 1 in C (Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra under Wolfgang Sawallisch) 9.35 Late Haydn: Salomon Quartet performs Quartet in F, Op 77 No 2: Quartet in D minor, Op

8.30 News

10.15 Poulenc and Berkeley: City of London Sintonia under Richard Hickox, with Susan Milan, flute, performs Poulenc, orch Berkeley (Flute Sonata); Berkeley (Flute Concerto) (7) 10.55 Test Match Special: England y Pakistan. The fifth and final

day of the third Test at Old Trafford, Commentary by Bnan Johnston, Jonathan Agnew and Christopher Martin-Jenkins, 1.05pm News, 1.10 Your Letters Answered, 1.40 Commentar and close of play summary. (If play finishes early, Radio 3 will ert to a music schedule)

An Evening Sequence: A selection of music on records, COMPILED BY PETER DEAR AND GILLIAN MAXEY TV CHOICE PETER WAYMARK/RADIO CHOICE PETER DAVALLE

including works by Bach, Schubert, Brahms and the Hungarian folk group Mussikas

7.25 News 7.30 BBC Philharmonic at the 7.30 BBC Philharmonic at the Manchester International Festival of Expressionism. Adrian Leaper conducts Schreeker (Frelude to a Drama); Schoenberg (Five Orchestral Fieces, Op 16); Schnädt (Symphony No 4 in C) 9.10 Drama Now; Moscow Stringe.

of about the control of the control rather quasi-monologue Except for an occasional intrusion by three guardian angels, a riddle-setting sphinx and a station announcer, Tom Courtenay's boozer has the stage all to himself. From it, and through a vodka-induce haze, he surveys a Russia whose decline is as remorseless as his own. Moscow Stations some has a orin on its face. But it is

10.10 From the Aldeburgh Festival: New London Chamber Choir under James Wood performs Schütz (Four Italian madrigals: Ride la Italian madrigals: Ride la primavera; D'ornida selce alpina; Fernevi, ferirevi viperette mordad; Selve beate); Brahms (Five Songs, Op 104); Dallapiccola (Due cori di Michelangelo); Tavener (Hymn to the Holy Spirit); Stravinsky (The Dove Descending; Four Russian Peasant Songs); Ligeti (Morning and Night; Hungarian Etudes) o News 5-12.35am Composers of the

11.30 News 11.35-12.35am Composers of the Week: Mussorgsky (Hopak; Kalistratushka; Hebrew Song; Kaistratushka; Hebrew Song; Boris Godunov — excerpts; The Nursery; Joshua) (r) 1.00-2.25 Night School (except in Scotland); See For Yourself; 1.15 First Steps in Drama; 1.35 Wordplay; 1.45 Singing Together; 2.05 Time to Move (as Radio 5 at 9am)

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5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00
News Briefing, incl 6.03
Weather 6.10 Farming Today
6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30
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8.00, 8.30 News 6.55, 7.55
Weather 7.45 Thought for the
Day 8.40 Yesterday in
Parliament 8.56 Weather
9.00 News to the writer and academic John Carey (s) 4.45 Short Story: Chicken Paté, by Madelaine Blackmore. Read by Brian Gear 5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 Stx O'Clock News 6.30 The Miller Shows Comedy and provide 9.00 News 9.05 Call Nick Ross: 071-580

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9.05 Call Nick Rose: (771-580 4444. Lines open from 8am 10.00-10.30 News; The Art of Travel (FM only): Nigel Barley, author of The Innocent Anthropologist, talks about the "hugging" culture of Sulawesi, Indonesia (s) 10.00 Dally Service (LW only): Romans (final part) (final part)

10.30 Woman's Hour looks at women Abortginal artists, and discusses league tables for schools. Ind 11.00 News

11.30 Medicine Now: Geoff Wats. Property for

reports on a procedure for reinforcing a damaged skulli. Using a custom-built titanium 12.00 You and Yours
12.25pm Flying the Flag: Little
Extras. Fourth of an eight-part
comedy drama by Alex
Shearer. Starring Dinsdale
Landen as MacKenzie, Peter

Acre as Frost and Moir Leslie as Heien (s) 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One 1.40 The Archers (s) (r) 1.55 Shipping Exercises Shipping Forecast 2.00 News; Thirty-Minute Jessie Kesson's play is set in a training institution for orphan girls in 1914, Emma (Jane Slavin), aged 16 is sent out as

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Slavin), aged 16, is sent out as
a scullery maid and returns in
disgrace (s)
2.30 Tingle Factor: Dudley Moore
reveals why certain moments
in music send a shiver down
his snina (d)

his spine (c)
3.00 Byo, Bye Bow Street (FM)
only): Nick Baker commemorates Bow Street, one of Britain's oldest and most famous police stations
3.00-4.00 Prime Minister's
Question Time (LW only)
3.30-4.00 Word of Mouth (FM only): Frank Delaney-hosts a

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9.15 Kaleidoscope (s) (r)
9.45 The Financial World Tonight (s)
9.45 The Ward Tonight (s)
10.45 A Book at Bedtime The Way of All Flesh, by Samuel Butler.
Seventh of 15 parts
11.00 The Radio Programme (r)
11.30 Today in Parliament
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12.49 World Service (LW only)